

JAMES KEENE A BUNCO VICTIM

Lawson Declares That Standard Oil Men
Fleeced the Wall Street Speculator:

GIVES THE HISTORY OF THE DEALS

Asserts That the Seven Million Fee Promised Was Never
Paid Because of Rubber Combination
That Came Up.

Boston, Dec. 23.—Thomas W. Lawson declared that James R. Keene had been "bunkoed" out of \$7,000,000 which the promoters of the Amalgamated Copper company had promised him as a reward for selling \$22,000,000 of the copper stock at 90 to 96.

It was learned here that Wall street was full of rumors that Mr. Keene soon would be fighting the "system" in conjunction with Mr. Lawson. On this the latter had nothing to say, but he announced that he would lay bare the details of the "bunko." He made a statement on this, much of which is repetition of former statements.

Of the alleged "bunko," he said: "The hatred of 'Standard Oil' for James R. Keene at this time was selling at over par. The necessities of James R. Keene were pressing, first, for the forgiveness and good will of Standard Oil; next, in connection with his rubber stocks.

Alliance is Formed. "A certain man succeeded in amalgamating the Standard Oil's hatred of Keene and the Keene necessities, and James R. Keene rolled up his sleeves for the most strenuous piece of work in his most strenuous life, and the fur flew—the people's fur.

"In consideration of Keene doing the job up brown—that is, doing the people up brown—the Standard Oil would subscribe one-half of the money necessary to float a new rubber company and loan its name to the enterprise. First, the total amount was \$5,000,000—'Standard Oil' \$2,500,000; then \$10,000,000—'Standard Oil' \$5,000,000, finally \$15,000,000—'Standard Oil' \$7,500,000. Public announcement was made and everything went as merrily as a steam clipper at a fleecing bee, and Keene completed his job, and—well, Standard Oil never forgives an injury.

Leaves Keene to Sink. "Suddenly the rubber combination broke up.

namo" were yanked away from the new rubber company, and James R. Keene was longer of experience and shorter of faith than ever before in his marvelous career.

"I have made the statement that the New York Commercial was owned by Henry H. Rogers. Henry H. Rogers and Donohoe (financial editor of that paper) made denial of this. I here-with give facts:

Deserts Newspaper Man.

"Henry H. Rogers, becoming frenzied at the attacks of Heinze of Montana, looked about for an organ through which to lay him, and finding the New York Commercial's then owners, D. O. Haynes and others, pressed for capital, induced them to accept a loan from him. He then started Donohoe upon that indecently scurrilous biography of Heinze which astonished all civilized men and women who read it. Sult in heavy damages was begun by Heinze against the Commercial, and Rogers, having dragged it through the mud and mire and discredited it financially and otherwise, refused to give Haynes that, further financial assistance which was necessary for the preservation of his interests. Haynes came to me and begged that I would assist him from the clutches of Rogers. I was so situated at the time that I was compelled to refuse his request, although it pained me to do so.

Ready to Prove Assertion. "This is the history of Rogers' ownership of the New York Commercial, and I hold myself ready at any time to prove the facts outlined, in any court of law, or otherwise."

In another part of the statement Mr. Lawson said the crash in Amalgamated followed the discovery of a "leak," which, he intimates, came through William Rockefeller's confidential secretary.

NAN PATTERSON'S JURY UNABLE TO AGREE TODAY

New York Actress Is Given Another Chance
for Her Life...The Jury
Disagreed.

[SPECIAL BY SCRIPTS-M'RAE.] New York, Dec. 23.—Nan Patterson was brought over to the prisoner's pen in the criminal court building this morning where she greeted her waiting father with a kiss. "Have no fear, my girl," he said. "God is with us." Knots of people stood about the building this morning awaiting the verdict. At eleven o'clock no word had come from the jury. The counsel waited in a room adjoining the court while Justice Davis remained in his chamber. At 11:30 the jury came into the court and announced that they had reached no verdict and were sent back to delib-

erate. The jury has disagreed and was discharged. The prisoner collapsed completely when the disagreement was announced and sobbed convulsively on her father's shoulder. On the motion of the petitioner, the prisoner remained in the court hall. While no announcement has yet been made it is expected the young actress will have to undergo a third trial. Foreman Harmer said only one ballot was taken last night; that stood six for conviction and six for acquittal. On this ballot there was no discussion as to the degree of homicide.

CAN JEWS HAVE LAW'S PROTECTION?

A Man Who Has Two Wives Claims
the Jewish Law Allows Him
to Have Them.

Odesa, Dec. 23.—The "question whether Jews are prohibited by their religion from contracting plural marriages has been raised in the case of a man named Cronstein, convicted of polygamy, owing to his taking advantage of the Russian law which recognizes the legality of plural marriages where the faith of the contracting parties recognizes it. Cronstein appealed, claiming although the practice was discontinued in western countries the Jews were following the teaching of Gerson as authorized by the Talmud and the patriarchs David, Solomon, etc., and that the practice was now followed by the Israelites in the mountains of the Caucasus. The court allowed the appeal and summoned a rabbi to give expert testimony.

A proposition to consolidate all the temperance papers of the country, submitted by John G. Woolley of Chicago, was taken under advisement yesterday, at the meeting of the executive committee of the American Anti-Saloon league in Columbus, O.

I. N. PERRY HAS A PLEASING GIFT

Former Chicago Banker Indicted for
Arson by the Grand
Jury.

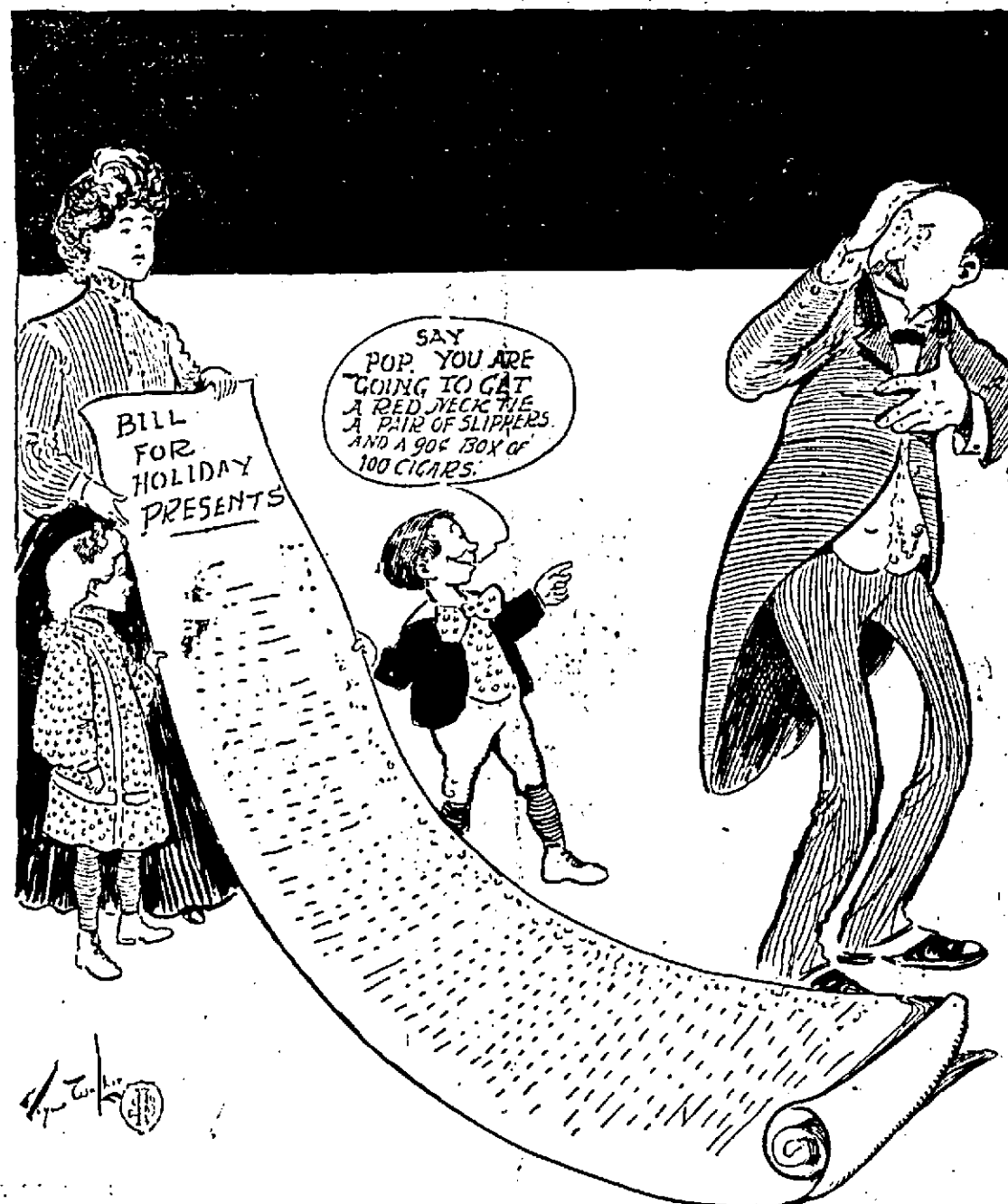
[SPECIAL BY SCRIPTS-M'RAE.] Chicago, Dec. 23.—Two indictments were returned by the grand jury this morning in Judge Kersten's court against former Bank President I. N. Perry in connection with the burning of the Hegewisch locomotive plant. The bills charge arson and an attempt to defraud the insurance companies.

BATTLE OCCURRED IN TIMBUCTOO

Moors and French Troops Have a
Fierce Battle and Many
Are Killed.

[SPECIAL BY SCRIPTS-M'RAE.] Paris, Dec. 23.—A dispatch to the Temps states a battle has occurred in Timbuctoo, between the Moors and French troops. The losses of the latter were heavy.

Eight business houses at Mitchellville, a suburb of Des Moines, Iowa, burned, entailing a loss of \$30,000.



AND THEY SAY SOME PEOPLE DON'T BELIEVE IN CHRISTMAS!
The Wife—Here's an old friend you must meet!

CHAMPAIGN HAS A SERIOUS BLAZE

Illinois City a Serious Loser by a
Damaging Fire Yesterday.

[SPECIAL BY SCRIPTS-M'RAE.] Chicago, Dec. 23.—Fire this morning destroyed seven buildings in the business district of Washburn, causing the death of Dr. Jesse Weaver, veterinary surgeon; loss, \$20,000.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES

Nicholas Rein of Aberdeen, S. D., was instantly killed by a Dayton and Troy traction car at Hiqua, O.

Jacob Kuhn, a traveling man, fell from a fourth story window at Evansville, Ind., and was instantly killed. He was 60 years old.

The steamer Robert B. Lee, owned by the Lee line of Memphis, Tenn., struck a snag and sunk in shallow water in the Mississippi.

The jury which is to try Joseph Guilmette, arrested in Woonsocket, R. I., and charged with the murder of his partner, Mongeon, was completed at Crookston, Minn.

The little open-decked gasoline launch Slama started on her voyage of 1,800 miles across the Gulf of Mexico from Mobile to Honduras. She came from Detroit down the Mississippi.

In a head-on collision between a freight train and work train on the Atlantic Coast line eighty miles from Montgomery, Ala., one man was killed and four more or less seriously injured.

I. E. Christian, a leading lawyer and partner of Joseph M. Sanders, recently elected supreme judge, was shot and killed at Oceana, W. Va., by Ken Canterbury, who made good his escape to the mountains.

On Tag river, Lawrence county, Kentucky, Morgan Curry, a foundryman, was shot and instantly killed by a railroad detective during a fight near the Curry home. The Currys have been terrorizing the men who were operating a new railroad.

The chief of police of St. Louis declared yesterday that all gambling games in that city have been closed.

Governor Lanham of Texas has issued twenty-seven pardons to long-term prisoners as Christmas presents.

The strike of the cotton mill operatives in Fall River, Mass., is soon to end by compromise, according to an authoritative report that gained circulation yesterday.

The papers have been signed and the money is all available in New York for the construction of the immense power canal, to cost \$3,600,000, at Duluth, Minn.

The last of the conspiracy cases included in the indictment brought in connection with the trial of United States Senator Dietrich of Nebraska was dismissed yesterday in Omaha.

The package of beer known as the "eighty," the smallest measure turned out in staves, was abolished by unanimous vote yesterday at a meeting of brewers from eight states in Cincinnati, Ohio.

The bid of the Western Maryland railroad, \$155,000, for Maryland's interest, a majority of the stock, in the Chesapeake and Ohio canal, was accepted by the representatives of the state at a meeting in Annapolis, Md., yesterday.

MORE MASSACRES IN PHILIPPINES

Native Scouts Are Ambuscaded and
Then Murdered by
Natives.

[SPECIAL BY SCRIPTS-M'RAE.] Manila, Dec. 23.—Native ambuscaded and killed at Dolores, in Samar, a lieutenant and thirty-seven enlisted men of the Thirty-eighth company of Native Scouts. Two thousand rebels threaten the town of Dolores and the situation is critical. Reinforcements have been asked for.

CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR MR. CHADWICK

He Will Be Arrested as Soon as He
Lands on This Side From the
French Steamer.

[SPECIAL BY SCRIPTS-M'RAE.] Columbus, Dec. 23.—Application of Prosecutor Keeler for the requisition on the governor of New York for the return to Cleveland of Leroy Chadwick has been received at the governor's office this morning. Gov. Herlick is now in the east and no action will be taken until his return early next week. It is safe to say the requisition will be ready by the time Chadwick steps from the steamer.

JAPAN WANTS TO BE CONSIDERED

Would Like to Appear Before the
Dogger Bank Examining
Board.

[SPECIAL BY SCRIPTS-M'RAE.] Paris, Dec. 23.—It is reported the Japanese government has expressed a wish to be represented at the session of the international commission of the North sea tragedy. It is said it claims an equal right with the Russians to be before the commission, especially as the Russians still maintain Japanese war vessels were seen among the Hull trawlers.

IS EXPELLED BY SAXONY POLICE

Former Crown Princess Louise Is
Taken to the Frontier by
the Officials.

[SPECIAL BY SCRIPTS-M'RAE.] Liepzig, Dec. 23.—Former Crown Princess Louise of Saxony was this morning escorted to the frontier by the police and formally expelled from the country. She will go to Florence, Italy.

ROOSEVELT IS TO GO TO THE SOUTH

Accepts the Invitation of Birmingham, Alabama, to Visit
There Soon.

[SPECIAL BY SCRIPTS-M'RAE.] Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 23.—President Roosevelt has accepted Birmingham's invitation to visit here January 8th.

LOS ANGELES HAS A SERIOUS FIRE

Quarter of a Million Dollars' Worth
of Property Was De-
stroyed.

[SPECIAL BY SCRIPTS-M'RAE.] Los Angeles, Dec. 23.—There was a fire that caused a quarter of a million dollars' loss and threatened the whole sale district this morning. The Western Commercial Paper company was the principal loser.

STATE NOTES

Julius Magolis of Kenosha has disappeared. He has been missing for ten days.

Hert Monahan has confessed to robbing the saloon of Peter Thomas at Oshkosh.

Municipal ownership of lighting plant and water works is being agitated by some Racine people.

The La Crosse board of education has ordered that all school children be vaccinated before the opening of schools on Jan. 5.

J. F. Berge, city clerk of Mineral Point, narrowly escaped death through blood-poisoning in a finger which was cut by glass.

The Kenosha Electric railway's annual report shows that the company carried 632,094 passengers during the year, and the total earnings were \$35,000.

The directors of the Malleable Iron Range company of Beaver Dam will build a spacious warehouse two stories high, 60x100 feet, connected with main buildings by a runway.

Switchman Charles Bilas, who lost both legs in the wreck in the Milwaukee yards in La Crosse, in which Engineer Eldin and Fireman Corlett were killed, will not live.

Forest Harvey, a negro, is in jail at Oshkosh for insulting and assaulting a number of women on the street at night, his main offense being striking Miss Clara Genter and breaking her nose.

Alexander Blaine of Union Grove, said to be a relative of James G. Blaine, charged with using abusive language toward his wife, was sent to jail for ten days, and divorce papers were then served on him.

Chief of Police H. C. Baker of Madison is in La Crosse to take Oscar A. Kohler, a former employee of the Jung Brewing company of Milwaukee, charged with embezzlement, back to Madison. It being stated that the alleged crime was committed in Dane county.

Judge Kirwan, at Fond du Lac, has ordered judgment to clear the title of Mrs. Ida Cense of the town of Metomen from the cloud of a forged deed by which a stranger, calling himself John J. Riley, sometime ago robbed George Bohbs, a rich farmer of the town of Byron, out of \$5,000.

Four leading English Protestant churches of Appleton have opened a campaign against violators of the Sunday state laws and city ordinances, by sending Mayor F. W. Harriman a communication demanding that the Sunday law providing for the closing of saloons be enforced at once.

Foreign Ships Get the Money.

The United States pay nearly \$1,000,000 a day to foreign ships for carrying their products.

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RUSSIAN SHIPS LEFT HARBOR

Torpedo Boat Destroyers Slipped Out of Port
Arthur During the Night.

JAP FLEET SEEKS THE SQUADRON

Vice Admiral Kamimura Goes Forth to Locate Czar's Bal-
tic Sea Fleet--Is Ready for
Battle.

London, Dec. 23.—The Daily Telegraph's Chefoo correspondent reports that eight torpedo boat destroyers have escaped from Port Arthur, where, for twenty-four hours, he says, a severe snowstorm has been raging.

Kamimura Commands.

Singapore, Dec. 23.—Vice Admiral Kamimura who practically snuffed the Russian Vladivostok squadron, is in command of the Japanese squadron that is seeking to intercept the Baltic fleet. It is understood that one of his objects is to prevent the Russians from entering the ports of French Cochinchina to refit and recoup after their voyage across the Indian ocean. Patrol ships will be posted on all routes that are most likely to be followed by Admiral Rojestvensky among the islands and especially in the strait of Malacca and the strait of Sunda to warn the Japanese of the approach of the Russian fleet.

Make-Up of Squadron.

Two vessels of Vice Admiral Kamimura's fleet put into this port. They were the converted cruisers Nippon and Hongkong, both formerly Pacific liners with great coal capacity.

An officer of one of the cruisers stated that Vice Admiral Kamimura's squadron was made up of two battleships, two first class cruisers, two second class cruisers, and twelve torpedo boats. They were sighted late in the day steaming westward.

RUSSIA IS INTERESTED.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 23.—The announcement that two Japanese battleships, four cruisers, and twelve torpedo boats are proceeding west from Singapore is received here with much interest. It is not believed, however, that such a small squadron can have been sent out by Japan with any idea of engaging in offensive operations.

It is generally believed that Vice Admiral Rojestvensky intends to establish a naval coaling base on some small island between Madagascar and the Philippines, and that the Japanese cruising squadron hopes to mark down the rendezvous for Vice Admiral Togo's information.

The hope is expressed that Admiral Rojestvensky will be able to catch up with the Japanese scouts, which, it is believed, he could easily destroy, thereby weakening the Japanese in the final naval engagement.

JAPS TAKE MORE HEIGHTS.

Tokyo, Dec. 23.—The Japanese troops

OFFICIAL COUNT MAKES THE RECENT ELECTION LARGER

Roosevelt the Choice of More Than Seven
Million Voters of the United
States.

TOTAL VOTE FOR PRESIDENT.

Roosevelt, Republican 7,627,552
McKinley, Democrat 5,890,771
Debs, Socialist 391,587
Swallow, Prohibitionist 266,317
Watson, Peoplist 114,237
Crosman, Socialist Labor 42,452
Holcomb, Continental Labor 810

New York, Dec. 23.—With the announcement of results in Minnesota, North Dakota and Washington Thursday, the official canvass of the votes east on Nov. 8 for presidential electors was finally completed. The Associated Press was given the tabulated returns, and compiled the above table, showing the total received by each candidate. Roosevelt's majority over all his rivals reached the record-breaking figures of 1,746,768, and over Mr. Parker the president's plurality was 2,547,678. In 1900 William McKinley had 67,046 more votes than all other candidates and 859,981 more than William Jennings Bryan. The vote for Mr. Roosevelt was therefore 409,822 more than for Mr. McKinley, while Mr. Parker was supported by 1,277,772 fewer electors than gave their ballots to Mr. Debs.

Sell Spirits to Africans.

It was stated at a meeting in London that Europeans in Africa sometimes used the "trade" gin and rum, sent out for the natives, for mixing paint, instead of turpentine. No European ever dreamed of drinking it. Potatoes, made in Germany, is the principal medium of commerce with the natives of West Africa, its use by the natives was described as "deadly."

have captured some important positions on Pigeon bay.

A dispatch received by telegram from the Japanese army before Port Arthur says:

"The right column of the army at 5 o'clock Thursday morning, taking advantage of the enemy's excitement, drove the enemy off an eminence north of Housanyentao, on Pigeon bay, and occupied the position, and at 7 o'clock dislodged the enemy from a height on the peninsula west of Housanyentao, which we occupied, capturing one small gun. After the Japanese occupation of the positions the enemy made a counter attack, but was immediately repulsed. At present our occupation of the positions is practically secure."

Extent of Sevastopol's Damage.

A report received from Vice Admiral Togo says: "A prisoner taken by our fleet, who is considered to be reliable, reports that as the result of our attack since Dec. 13 eight torpedoes struck the net of the battleship Sevastopol and that at least one took effect on its hull. This seems to have occurred on the night of Dec. 15 or early on the morning of Dec. 16. The Sevastopol's crew was seen to be in a state of confusion, and a hawser from the shore was attached to the battleship.

"The torpedo which struck the hull of the Sevastopol took effect on the port side aft, damaging about eight feet along the fire lines.

Trying to Pull Water Out.

"There is one torpedo boat to the starboard of the Sevastopol and one pumping vessel to port, together with one vessel resembling a mine layer, all of which are busily engaged in pumping, but it will be difficult to restore the seaworthiness of the warship."

"After personal observation outside Port Arthur I found the Sevastopol, which was attacked by our torpedo flotillas, is now anchored in the shadows about 400 yards from the shore of Shengtao mountain. The Russians are engaged in pumping, but the Sevastopol is listing at least ten degrees, with its bow slightly sunk. There can be no hope of restoring the vessel to fighting trim, considering the present condition of Port Arthur, and I judge that it has been completely disabled. I also observed that the enemy's destroyer which was torpedoed by us has been destroyed."

FOUNDER OF MYSTIC SHRINERS IS DEAD

Sam Briggs, One of Best Known
Members of Masonic Order in
America, Passed Away.

Cleveland, Dec. 23.—Sam Briggs, founder of the Mystic Shriners and one of the best known Masons in the country, died at his home in this city Thursday afternoon of pneumonia.

ANCIENT CUSTOM OF YULE TIDE

MISTLETOE IS A CURIOSITY AT
PRESENT IN JANSVILLE.

OLD CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS

Mythology and Ancient Beliefs of
the European Na-
tions.

Yuletide without mistletoe? It seems a strange thought but such is the case in Jansville this year. Calls at the leading grocery stores and the greenhouse reveals the fact that there is none to be had. It is safe to say that in every home in Jansville and elsewhere where Christmas is celebrated there will be a bit of mistletoe hanging in some obscure archedway as a reminder that the penalty for a person caught beneath its mystic bow is subject to being kissed. Perhaps, however, Jansville's young people do not believe in such frivolities. Perhaps the mistletoe may be supplanted by something else or perhaps it is not needed. However, the fact remains that if there is any mistletoe in Jansville it is being carefully concealed. In Milwaukee the demand for the sacred plant has become so great that the commission men are asking the question: "Is kissing becoming more popular in this city or is it becoming necessary in Milwaukee to have an excuse for seeing or giving a kiss?" Mistletoe belongs with the Christmas plum pudding, the Christmas goose, the Yuletide log and the holly wreath. The ancient Druids of Europe, the people of the great stone circles, who sacrificed human beings on their altars, believed the mistletoe had sacred powers. It is a sturdy plant, one which grows in apple orchards, the life of which depends largely upon the life of the tree it encircles. The fruit is eaten by the most frugivorous birds and through their agency, particularly the thrush, is propagated. The growth of the plant is slow and durability proportionally great. It also has a medicinal power and in ancient times a syrup made from its berries was an antidote for poisons. The ancient Druids believed that when foun- growing on the robar, their sacred tree, that it was a direct gift from the gods to designate this tree as holy. The ceremony of clipping the bows with golden shears or hooks is told us by the ancient Latin historian, Pliny.

Holly is also scarce this year and higher in price. Holly has been used for decorative purposes since time immemorial. It was known to ancient Pagan tribes and together with mistletoe was used as decoration for the feast days of their gods. Mistletoe figures in Scandinavian mythology as having furnished the material for the arrow by which Balder, the sun god, was slain by the blind god, Hoder. Balder was the most beautiful of all the Norse gods. He was the son of Odin and Freya. At one of the gatherings of the gods, Balder, who was immortal and could not be wounded by any wood but the mistletoe, stood up to be shot at. Loki, the god of mischief and evil, was jealous of his powers and placing an arrow in the bow of his brother Hoder, the blind god, directed it towards the beautiful Balder and killed him. For this Loki was driven from the home of the gods and confined in chains, where he will remain until the twilight of the gods, Ragnarok, or the final destruction of the world. Fenris the wolf, and Midgard, the serpent, and the other powers of evil and the regeneration of gods and men. With this association of mistletoe and the Christmas season comes the many superstitions of the different European nations. Many of them are grotesque and absurd and some are pleasing and humanizing. One of the oldest of these Christmas beliefs is that at one o'clock Christmas morning the cattle, if they were free to do so, would turn towards the east and bow down on their knees and worship Christ the Savior. It is also recorded that at this holy hour the cattle are also given the power of speech with each other. In Norway and Sweden the Christmas feeling of the birds is an ancient custom. Flocks of oats are placed on the roofs of the houses for the little birds to feast on. Days before the gale day huge wagon loads of grain are brought into the cities and each householder buys his share for the little feathered residents of his locality. In Serbia and Bulgaria the belief that ill luck will follow those who cross a strange doorway on this day. In the same countries an early ceremony has to be performed by the head of each household. Before breakfast is served corn is placed in a stocking, and the chief of the family sprinkles a little of it before the door, saying: "Christ is born," to which each of the inmates replies: "He is born indeed." Then the house father goes to the door, and advancing to the hearth where logs are burning in readiness, strikes them with a stick, saying: "Christ is born, sparks fly out, with a good wish for the horses, mother for the cows, another for the goats," so on through the whole of farming stock, winding up with an extra blow for a plentiful harvest. Then the ashes are collected, a coin is placed among them and the whole is hidden or, in some districts, burned. As for the Yule logs, they are not permitted to smolder quite away, but are carefully garnered, and the burnt ends placed in clefts in fruit trees, so as to insure a bountiful crop. In England singing by wails on Christmas eve is an old custom. The Yule log, which is laid with all precision as the back of the Christmas, is also observed and the most zesty, plum pudding and bonfire are also observed. In Jansville Christmas will be observed officially on Monday. Business will close on that day, and the barber shops will be open until noon only. There will be no issue of The Gazette on that day. Sunday the Catholic and Episcopal churches will hold the regular Christmas church services and celebrations will also be held in the other churches. Monday, however, will be the official Christmas.

KEMPF IS READY TO FILE A BOND

Has Sums Up to a Million Ready To
Be Used if He Is Allowed
to Enter.

Just what will be the total amount of the new bond for State Treasurer-elect John J. Kempf if he is allowed to take his office is not yet known. Mr. Kempf is prepared for all emergencies, is stated in a Milwaukee dispatch, and has made arrangements if so large a one is thought to be necessary or is demanded. Mr. Kempf has telegraphed and written asking for an appointment with the members of the state administration who will fix his bond, asking for a decision on this question may be decided, but has received no reply. There is a rumor to the effect that the law will be invoked so that Mr. Kempf cannot take his office even with a big bond to secure him.

XMAS EXERCISES FOR THIS EVENING

Methodist Sunday School Will This
Year Feed Many Poor Families—No Gifts.

Christmas exercises for the Sunday school of the Central Methodist church will be held this evening instead of tomorrow evening as customary. The exercises will be exercises of self-sacrifice and giving rather than exercises of receiving. Each of the twenty-five classes of the school have been delegated to donate articles of food and prepare a program fitting for the occasion. The food will be sorted into baskets this evening and tomorrow morning will be distributed to a number of worthy poor families in the city. It is expected that about seventy-five dollars' worth of provisions will be donated. Chickens, ducks, flour, bread, meats, potatoes, vegetables and fruits have been assigned to different classes. Committees have been appointed to look after the separate phases of the exercises. Mrs. Boomer is chairman of the program committee, Mrs. Hay of the committee

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QUERY BOX FOR MANY QUESTIONS

Kickers Kolum Gives Place to Question Box Today—Some Inquiry.

To the Editor: Will some one please explain to the public who is the poor physician? By "poor physician" is meant who would be the physician to be called in case a prisoner at the city hall was suddenly taken ill or a man picked up on the streets injured and had no money to pay for their own medical aid. Also where are such patients taken? To whom should applications for medical service be made?

"A QUESTIONER."

For many years Dr. J. B. Whiting has had charge of all cases which come within the jurisdiction of the poor commissioner. Poor Commissioner Kenyon should at once be notified. He will send the physician. Patients who have no money and need particular care are usually taken to the county hospital. To Superintendent Kenyon.

To the Editor: Is it part of the street commissioner's work to keep the crosswalks about the downtown district free from snow and ice and mud when there is any? If so, why is not the work done? There are a dozen bad crosswalks on Main and Milwaukee streets and the mud and wet tracked into the stores and along the sidewalks makes it very disagreeable for pedestrians. "A KICKER."

To the Editor: Can you tell me what states are celebrating Christmas days today as a legal holiday, if any? Is Monday a legal holiday?

"INQUIRY."

Kansas, Mississippi, Nevada, Vermont and West Virginia celebrate the day afterwards. Monday is a legal holiday inasmuch as the feast of Christmas is celebrated on that day.

To the Editor: Will you inform me how many different divisions of time there are in the United States from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast?

"INFORMATION."

Eastern, Pittsburgh, Chicago, Denver and Pacific coast time. Each division is an hour behind the previous, reading from east to west.

To the Editor: In last night's Gazette there appeared an article on beet growing. The writer was seriously mentally deranged or talking through a windy delusion. In comparing raising beets on shares with paying cash rent, it was alright. But speaking of the 36-acre piece, there was only one 36-acre piece raised around here to my knowledge. If such is the piece his slander is more familiar to him than gentlemanly principle.

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which has in charge the treat that will be prepared for the children, Mrs. S. C. Burnham of the decoration committee, Mrs. Thayer of the committee which looked up the families to whom the provisions will be sent and S. C. Burnham of the distribution committee. An admission fee of a potato or as many potatoes as each one is willing to give will be charged.

ESCH ANNOUNCES HIS CANDIDACY

La Crosse Congressman Has the Senatorial Bee Buzzing in His Bonnet.

Congressman John J. Esch of La Crosse made his announcement that he is a candidate for the United States senatorship to succeed Senator Charles. This is the first declaration from Mr. Esch himself on the subject, and it will be followed within a few days by a more formal announcement, in which he will declare his position and outline his program in detail.

Was Undecided

At the time he left for Panama, the week of election, Mr. Esch had not received any figures on his own election and had not seriously entertained the idea of becoming a senatorial candidate. The movement originated in the seventh district during his absence.

Was Surprised

"On my return to Washington from Panama," said Mr. Esch, "I was surprised to find the most encouraging letters from Wisconsin republicans in reference to my possible candidacy for the senatorship. Later I learned that a number of members of the legislature, particularly but not exclusively from my own district, had announced themselves in my favor. I do not feel that I can or ought to undo the work that has been done for me. That is all I can say at this time, but I shall explain my position further shortly."

Asked No Support

Mr. Esch said that up to this time he had written no letters asking support of his candidacy. Asked what he expected would be the attitude of Gov. La Follette he said he had no correspondence with the governor on the question and that the matter had never been mentioned between them.

Many Politicians

Congressman Esch has been returned from Washington and has been besieged with political visitors at his home ever since his arrival. His decision to become a candidate has greatly increased the confidence of his supporters throughout the district.

NAB ROBBER IN WYOMING WILDS

Clever Work Being Done by Sheriff's Posse at Cody—Two Captured Now.

Cheyenne, Wyo., Dec. 23.—Sheriff Fenton and posse of Big Horn county captured Bob Erwin, one of the men who made a descent on the Cody bank Nov. 1 and killed Cashier Middaugh, near the mouth of Gooseberry creek, fifty miles north of Thermopolis. Erwin, who had been in hiding at the ranch of a friend, learned the coming of the officers and attempted to get away by cutting across the mountains. He eluded the officers for a time, but one of the deputies returning home met Erwin at the mouth of Gooseberry canyon, recognized him and held him up with a rifle until Fenton and the other officers arrived.

There is no doubt as to the identity of Erwin, although he refuses to talk. Three men who saw and recognized the robbers at the bank are hurrying to Basin, the county seat, to identify Erwin. Other members of the gang have been located and will be captured soon. A. B. House, who was sent to the penitentiary from Fremont county for holding up a gambling house, was another member of the Cody outlaw band.

NO CASE WEATHER HAS YET ARRIVED

Thaw Was Not Enough to Put Tobacco in Condition—Warmer and Rain Needed.

Though the weather of the past two days has been warm and the snow has nearly melted away, the temperature has not been quite high enough nor the atmosphere damp enough to moisten up the tobacco to make it in case. When the thaw started yesterday the long looked for casing weather was expected by some but the thermometer did not continue to rise and this afternoon fell again. Some of the warehouse men of the city rode through the growing districts yesterday and found the greatest amount of the tobacco to be thoroughly dried out and only the later portion of the crop in condition to be put in case. This fall and winter thus far has been exceptionally rainless and the tobacco has completely dried out. It would take a warm fog of a number of days' duration or a warm rain to put the crop in a condition to be in case.

Mrs. Bell Frymire's Pie Party.

Mr. and Mrs. Bell Frymire gave to the young folks a pie party. The pies were all nice and all the ladies received nice compliments on their pies, except the ladies who made the cotton pie. When the boys made a dive into the pies there was a general confusion all around and some even ate the cotton to keep from having it found out on them. The pie landed up in the yard.—Breckenridge News.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson

ALMANAC FRAUDS DO MUCH DAMAGE

WEATHER BUREAU MAKES THIS
STAND VERY DECIDED.

ARE LONG RANGE FORECASTS

Meteorologists Claim They Cause
Great Loss—Middle Ages Methods in Use.

WILLIS L. Moore, chief of the United States weather bureau, declares that much harm is done by farmers' almanacs. It is hoped the time will come, says he, when it will be possible to forecast the weather for the coming season, but that time has not yet arrived, and the officials of the weather bureau have been informed that they will best serve the public interests when, without indulging in personalities or mentioning any long range forecasters by name, they teach the communities they serve the limitations of weather forecasting and warn them against impostors.

It is the opinion of the leading meteorologists of the world that the public interests are injured by the publication of so-called long range forecasts, especially such predictions as relate to severe storms, floods, droughts, and other atmospheric phenomena of a dangerous or damaging character, and the persistent efforts of certain men to foster their pretensions upon the public for personal gain have reached such proportions that it is deemed advisable fairly and temperately to counteract the influence of those whom we believe to be preying upon the credulity of the public.

Some of these men may be honest, and may, in their ignorance, attach undue importance to storms that may, accidentally, coincide in time of occurrence with certain relative positions of the planets, or with changes in the phases or positions of the moon, or with periods of increase or decrease in sunspots or apparent variations in solar intensity. They may believe that they have discovered a physical law or a meteorological principle that has not been revealed to astronomers, meteorologists, or any other class of scientific investigators; but the publication of predictions that, by reason of their absolute inaccuracy, are calculated to be injurious to agriculture.

NOTED DECISION IS MADE PUBLIC

Illinois Supreme Court Makes Sweep-
Findings in Gambling
Debits.

At the Thursday session of the supreme court of Illinois the question of collecting gambling debts by aid of the law was brought up and the decision rendered is far-reaching. In brief the Illinois court holds that in a suit to recover a gambling debt in which a certificate of deposit at a bank is one of the assets of the defendant the aid of the law cannot be invoked to compel the court to pay it to the plaintiff.

JOHNNIE CONDON ARRAIGNED TODAY

Information Filed Charging Him
With Murder of George Griffin—
To Be Tried in January.

Johnnie Condon half
In municipal court his morning information was filed charging with the murder of George Griffin, aged 13, on March 28, T. S. Nolan appeared for the defendant and waived the reading of the information, requesting that a plea of not guilty be entered. The case, if not dismissed from court, will probably be tried about the middle of January. It will be remembered that the Griffin boy was shot on his father's porch and that the little Condon boy who had the revolver claimed that it was accidental. Judge Fifield in binding him over for trial gave it as his opinion that there was no malice.

BELOIT PLANT WILL REMAIN IN BELOIT

Thompson Plow Works Cannot Be
Persuaded to Leave by Inducements Any City Can Offer.

There is not even a remote possibility of the John Thompson & Sons Mfg. Co.'s plant being moved to Jansville from Beloit. The concern is so heavily interested in the Line city that it could not be persuaded to leave for any bonus which any city could afford to offer. This assurance comes direct from headquarters and leaves no ground for argument or negotiations. Only the rear end of one of the shops was destroyed in the recent fire and this will be rebuilt at once. The management has received no offers from any city to locate elsewhere and is safe to say that if their attitude is understood no overtures will be made in the future.

SLID DOWN STACK ONTO PITCH-FORK

Fred Inman Seriously Injured in Peculiar Manner This Morning—
Wounded Four Inches Deep.

In sliding down a straw-stack on his farm on the Hanover road, a mile from Jansville, this morning, Fred Inman was impaled upon a pitchfork which had been left standing alongside with tines pointed upward. One of the tines penetrated the fleshy part of his left hip four inches. The man's cries soon brought assistance and Dr. Q. O. Sutherland was sent for. The latter, upon his arrival, found that the wound had bled but very little and that the fork was a rusty one. There was, therefore, some danger of blood-poisoning setting in. The fork was left in its upright position by a child who had been playing about the stack.

LAST DAY FOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING

In this most compact and convenient store. You can make every minute count.

Special Christmas Opportunity-- UMBRELLAS

A most useful Christmas Gift.— TWO EXTRA-
ORDINARY VALUES at \$1.00 and \$1.50
A WIDE VARIETY OF FANCY HANDLES.

Christmas Smoking Jackets

Specially Reduced at \$4 to \$10

Gifts in Cardigan House Coats \$1.50 to 3.50

In Jersey Coats.....\$2.50 and 5.00

Silk Lined Gloves.....1.00, 1.50, 2.00 and 2.50

Fancy Scarfs.....50c and 75c

Suit Cases.....4.00, 5.00, 6.00, 8.00 and 10.00

Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1

<p>GIFTS IN PAJAMAS</p> <p>The materials, flannels—Madrass—Cheviots.</p> <p>1.50, \$2, \$3 & 4.00</p>	<p>Silk, Worsted and Wool Neck Scarfs and Reefers.....50c, \$1, 1.50, 2.00, 3.00 and 3.50.</p>	<p>LEAVE YOUR ORDERS NOW FOR THE LEWIS UNDERWEAR.</p>
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T. J. ZIEGLER CLOTHING CO.

E. J. SMITH, MANAGER.

IOWA BANK CLOSES ITS DOORS

President Missing and Said to Be \$20,000 Short.

Sioux City, Iowa, Dec. 23.—The Dedham Savings bank of Dedham, Iowa, has been closed and the president, J. C. Canton, who left ostensibly for funds, cannot be found. He is said to be short about \$20,000 and the bank has commenced suit against him for the amount. The bank had about \$60,000 in deposits.

Forty Bank Failures.

Des Moines, Iowa, Dec. 23.—Forty banks have failed and one-fourth as many officials succeeded in Iowa during the last two years, according to statistics of the state auditor's office. Much of the money of western banks is loaned upon chattels, such as cattle and food which is to be used in preparing them for market. Many of the bankers have been stock raisers themselves. Decline in values of such commodities is said to have been the cause of many failures.

SEEKS EVIDENCE OF BIG TRUST

Federal Authorities Urge Kansas City
Dealers to Give Information.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 23.—Herbert Knox Smith, acting commissioner of the bureau of corporations of the department of commerce and labor, has written a number of Kansas City meat dealers including a digest of the statements formerly made by them relative to the beef industry and asking that they send any further information they may have. The digest sets out that the retailers purchase their supplies from all the packers and find practically no difference in prices, which are all changed the same day. Dealers believe there is a combine, although they cannot prove it. The reply sent by the dealers to the latest query states that there is nothing to add and requests that their names be withheld.

DEADLY SOUVENIR CARTRIDGE

Michigan Woman is the Victim of an
Unusual Accident.

Detroit, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Thomas E. Barnes, aged 21 years, was blown to pieces in her home at 253 Pine street by a cartridge that had been sent her as a souvenir by her brother, a sailor in the United States navy. It is supposed she was walking from the sitting room into her parlor with the cartridge in her hands and that in passing a stove she struck it against the stove in such a manner that it exploded.

Minister Plays the Rich.

Springfield, Mass., Dec. 23.—"There is more lawlessness in the United States than in any other civilized country in the world," said Dr. Lyman Abbott in an address on "Lawless men." "Rich men and rich corporations are among the greatest violators," he said.

Read the ads. Get the habit.

VETERINARY WAS KILLED IN FIRE

That Destroyed \$20,000 Worth of
Property This Morning at
Washburn, Near Peoria.

Champaign, Ill., Dec. 23.—Champaign was visited Thursday night by the worst fire in its history, the loss being estimated at \$200,000. The high wind imperiled the town and there was a feeling of relief when the flames were controlled after sweeping a single square block.

The fire broke out at 9:30 o'clock on Main street, the principal business thoroughfare, in Miles Brothers' dry goods store, one of the leading firms of the city. The origin of the blaze is not known. The following is a list of the firms burned out, with the estimated value on stocks:

Miles Brothers, dry goods, \$30,000; Ben Mollett, drug store, \$10,000; O and W. fur store, \$10,000; American Express company, \$3,000; J. A. Malone, barber shop, \$2,000; James McDonald, cigar factory, \$3,000; Hessel Land and Loan company, \$1,000; Turner & Sams, cigar factory, \$1,500; Alexander Lumber company, \$5,000; Stern's pawnshop, \$5,000.

The estimate on loss of buildings is \$100,000.

Detective Shoots Feudist.

Owingsville, Ky., Dec. 23.—On Tag river, Lawrence county, Morgan Curry, a feudist, was shot and instantly killed by a detective. The Currys have been terrorizing the men who were operating a new railroad in that section.

McCormick Sails for Russia.

New York, Dec. 23.—Robert S. McCormick, American ambassador to Russia, who has been on a two months' vacation trip to his home in the United States, has started on his return to St. Petersburg on the steamer Moltke.

Fatal Fall From Window.

Evansville, Ind., Dec. 23.—Jacob Kuhn, a traveling man, fell from a fourth-story window in a hotel and was instantly killed. He was 60 years old. A widow and several children survive.

Faces Serious Charge.

Sheboygan, Wis., Dec. 23.—A man whom the police charge with being George Lewis, the smoothest book subscription thief in the country, has been arrested.

To Annex Tonga Islands.

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 23.—Two British warships have sailed for the Tonga Islands. It is reported, with the intention to annex them.

Telephone Girl?

Another Atchison girl who thought she had a "voice" will take a job downtown instead of startling the operators with her singing.—Atchison Globe.

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Gentlemen:

An elegant and useful Christmas present for your wife, your sister or your lady friend is a beautiful cut glass Atomizer. We have many new styles and shapes in our assortment.

25c to \$6.00



Beautiful Holiday Packages Of Fine Perfumes

We have over 100 different styles of the choicest odors of all the leading makes. It will pay you to see what we have

Iris 75c an oz.
Queen Helen 50c an oz.

Smith's Pharmacy

Kodaks and Kodak Supplies
Two Registered Pharmacists

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THE JANSVILLE GAZETTE.

Entered at the postoffice at Janesville, Wisconsin, as second class mail matter.

TERMS OF SUBSCRIPTION

Daily Edition—By Carrier
One Year \$6.00
One Month \$1.00
Six Months \$3.00
Three Months \$1.50
Daily Edition—By Mail
CASH IN ADVANCE
One Year \$6.00
Six Months \$3.00
Three Months \$1.50
WEEKLY EDITION—One Year \$1.50
Long Distance Telephone, No. 77
Business Office 77-2
Editorial Office 77-3



Threatening tonight, and Saturday much colder with brisk northerly winds.

FOREIGN COMMERCE.

The total foreign commerce of the United States in the year about ending seems likely to exceed that of any preceding year. The total exports will probably fall slightly below those of last year and of the years 1900 and 1901, but as the total imports will materially exceed those of any preceding calendar year, the grand total of imports and exports combined will probably be the largest in the history of our commerce.

The statement of the November commerce and of the eleven months ending with November, just issued by the Department of Commerce and Labor, through its Bureau of Statistics, shows imports for the eleven months ending with November, 1904, amounting to 529 million dollars, against 518 millions in the corresponding months of 1903, 875 millions in the corresponding period of 1902, 890 millions in the corresponding period of 1901, and 760 millions in the corresponding period of 1900. Thus the imports for the full year seem likely to exceed those of any preceding calendar year, and for the first time in the history of calendar years imports will exceed one billion dollars in value. The total value of merchandise imported in the calendar year 1903 was 995 million dollars; in 1902, 969 millions; in 1901, 880 millions; in 1900, 829 millions; in 1899, 799 millions, and in 1898, 635 millions.

While the import record seems likely to exceed that of any earlier calendar year, the total of exports for the eleven months ending with November, 1904, is about 5 million dollars below the figure for the corresponding months of 1903, and 23 millions below those of the corresponding period of 1901. This slight reduction in exports is of course due to the great falling off in exports of breadstuffs, which amounted in the eleven months ending with November, 1904, to only 82 million dollars, against 176 millions in the corresponding months of 1903, and 252 millions in the corresponding months of 1901.

The fact that the grand total of exports falls but 5 million dollars below that of the corresponding months of last year, in spite of the loss of 91 million dollars in exports of breadstuffs, indicates a very large increase along other lines. The completed figures of the Bureau of Statistics indicate that this increase occurs chiefly in raw cotton and manufactures, cotton exports for the eleven months being about 14 million dollars in excess of the corresponding months of last year, while the ten months' figures of manufactures already available show a gain of 64 millions over the exports for the corresponding period of last year.

The figures of imports and exports for the single month of November also present an unusual record. The total imports of the month amount to 95 million dollars, against 77 millions in November, 1903, 85 millions in November, 1902, 72 millions in November, 1901, and 65 millions in November, 1900, the total for November, 1904, being thus larger than in any preceding November. On the export side the total for November is 157 million dollars, against 160 millions in November, 1903, 125 millions in November, 1902, 136 millions in November, 1901, and 136 1-4 millions in November, 1900, the total for November, 1904, being thus larger than that of any preceding November except that of the year 1903.

EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATURE.
Many have remarked the growing tendency in this country toward centralization of power in the federal government and also the increase of power of the executive over the legislative branch of the government. This tendency has been depicted as being away from democracy and in the direction of imperialism.

That there has been a growing political concentration in this country there can be no doubt, but the tendency towards imperialism has been altogether too much exaggerated. Moreover, the movement, however far it has proceeded in this country, it has not gone as far as it has in England. There a remarkable transference of power from the legislative to the executive branch of the government is noted by Sydney Low in his recent work on the "Government of England," and his opinion is endorsed by the London Spectator. While the House of Commons, it is declared, is in theory omnipotent, its status has been very much altered in recent years. Both Mr. Low and the Spectator declare that the center of gravity has shifted from the House of Commons to the cabinet. The House has lost its legislative power in fact, though it retains it in theory, since all legislation, which is successful, is issued by the executive and carried through at its direction. A

measure may be approved at each session by a large majority, but it has no chance of becoming a law unless the cabinet takes it up. So far from controlling the executive it obeys it unhesitatingly. The executive power in the United States has by no means obtained the same measure of authority. The executive power is growing, but Congress is still supreme.

The White Father of Russia would enjoy his Christmas much more if he was sure the next day's mail would not be filled with letters announcing the defeat of his troops.

The Chicago postoffice is nearly done and meanwhile the department has outgrown the size of the building.

While the Sevastopol has been torpedoed again it is now certain it is not as much injured as it was when it was totally destroyed a few days ago.

Some of the present Mormons are about due for a revelation which will include the examination of a cell in a state prison.

Cornellius Bliss says that Lawson has evaded the truth in a frightful manner, in fact the author of Frenzied Finance has deliberately lied.

Plans to make Washington beautiful are all right but some lobbyists find the city delightful enough for a residence anyway.

Russia will soon pride herself that she is a generous nation in allowing the Finns to speak their own language.

Dowle evidently has Mrs. Chadwick beaten to a pulp when it comes to getting money and still remaining out of jail while doing it.

Two United States senators from each state, says the constitution, but in several states more would be acceptable.

Brother Smoot certainly stands well with the Mormons for a man who never had more than one wife.

Tom Platt may be dead politically but he is making a lot of would be politicians stand up and go home.

Evidently the immaculate Chauncey has some opposition after all. A Black cloud appears on the horizon.

The Baltic fleet's efforts to find Togo are not going to be wasted if Togo can help it.

Now the question is: did Mrs. Chadwick ever have any girls at all and if she did where are they?

Forty thousand dollars has been expended in making the capitol ready for the state legislature.

Tom Platt has New York state where the trousers are pretty tight despite his years.

Togo means to be on hand at the half way station to meet his visitors—the Baltic fleet.

The Porth Arthur fleet is no more. St. Petersburg admits it.

Christmas shopping is exhausting—the pocket books.

PRESS COMMENT.

Madison Journal: The price of sugar has advanced, but, thank goodness, the nutmeg is still within the reach of the poorest.

Shochoyan Journal: There probably is as much chance for the young man of today as there was for his grandfather, but there are more after it.

Marquette Eagle-Star: A few thousand people woke up this morning and remembered several people they had forgotten to buy presents for.

Oshkosh Northwestern: The under-the-mistletoe act makes some girls so nervous that they go to practicing it several weeks ahead of the regular season in order to get accustomed to it.

Racine News: It may not be exactly accurate to speak of Mrs. Chadwick as a kleptomaniac, but she seems to be very absent-minded and to have taking ways.

Milwaukee Sentinel: According to Mrs. Mathers, the authoress, American husbands spoil their wives. Miss Mathers is from England and not from Missouri, but his should make no difference with any American bachelor possessing the proper spirit.

Grant County Herald: There is no question that alcohol is a great power in this country, but its power is wrongly applied. It should be used as a motive power for machinery instead of being used to fire men to do their very worst.

Green Bay Gazette: State Senator Barney Eaton has succeeded in having his bribery trial postponed until after the session of the legislature. As a conviction would disqualify him from serving the balance of his term he should make the most of his present opportunities.

Milwaukee News: It appears to be somewhat disquieting to your Uncle Ike to hear Mr. La Follette protesting that while he is determined to complete his "work" in Wisconsin, yet he cannot close his ears to the clamor of the people that duty demands that he make the sacrifice and take the senatorship.

Madison Democrat: The police department is to be congratulated for making war upon persons who

leave unblanketed horses hitched on the market place until the poor beasts are nearly frozen. It will only require a few arrests to cure for a long time this evil.

Appleton Crescent: Secretary Shaw sent to congress on Monday an earnest recommendation for appropriations for the erection of public buildings in cities where sites have been chosen. Among the cities named are Marinette and Chippewa Falls. The former town is about the size of Appleton and the latter about half add press comments. . . . the size of this city. How about the public building promised for Appleton?

Superior Telegram: A vegetarian said while making a speech in Minneapolis the other evening: "My lady, after the opera and with her gloved fingers, drops a live lobster into boiling water, boils it, and then eats its poisoned flesh." Some of this is a little obscure, but the part that tells about her live lobster being in hot water must of course be when she orders a \$3.50 lunch and he has only \$2.37 in his pocket.

Fond du Lac Commonwealth: Former Chief of Police Fred W. Ames, of Minneapolis, has just received a pardon, after serving four years of his sentence passed upon conviction on the charge of bribery, while his brother, the notorious "Doc" Ames, who was mayor of Minneapolis, and evidently his partner in crime, has been lucky enough to secure five hung juries. From all of which it would seem that the way of the transgressor is not so very hard after all—over in Minnesota.

A WORD FROM B'ER WILLIAMS.

I don't want no high seat in heaven; I has filled sich a humble station on his earl, dat de back seats will be comfortable enough fer me.

De day may be a time w'en de lion en le lamb will lay down tergether; but, ledgin' fum de way things is gwine on now de lamb won't lay dar long.

De politerician who starts in ter save de country mos' injuriously winds up by sayin' ter hies' dat self-preservation is de fust law of nature.

I don't trouble myselt 'bout how ong de worl' vuz in de makin'; de endin' question is—how ter do de worl' best de worl' do me.—Atlanta Constitution.

Buy it in Janesville.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

Ladies doing fine sewing or fancy work recommend Smith's Cream to keep hands soft, supple and white.

New Xmas Goods Arrived Today.

An entire shipment of all new Holiday Goods reached us today, making our assortment as complete as at the opening of the season. This consignment of goods will be sold at prices which will make all go by Saturday night. Don't fail to get our prices.

IMMENSE LINE OF CHRISTMAS PERFUMES.

McCue & Buss.
Two Drugstores.

WOOD.

THIS WOOD WAS CUT FROM OUR OWN FOREST LAST WINTER, AND WE KNOW IT'S DRY AND WILL MAKE A QUICK, HOT, LASTING FIRE, AND WE DELIVER IT TO YOU SAWED AT: \$8.00 PER CORD FOR MAPLE. \$7.50 PER CORD FOR MAPLE & BIRCH MIXED. \$6.00 PER CORD FOR DRY PINE SLABS.

Scranton Coal

CLEAN, CLINKERLESS, FREE-BURNING. WE HAVE IT IN ALL SIZES: SOME A1 NO. 2 NUT JUST IN. TRY IT.

Soft Coal

POCAHONTAS, BLACK BAND, HOCKING, DOMESTIC NUT FOR COOK STOVES. IN FACT ANYTHING YOU WANT. SERVICE THE BEST.

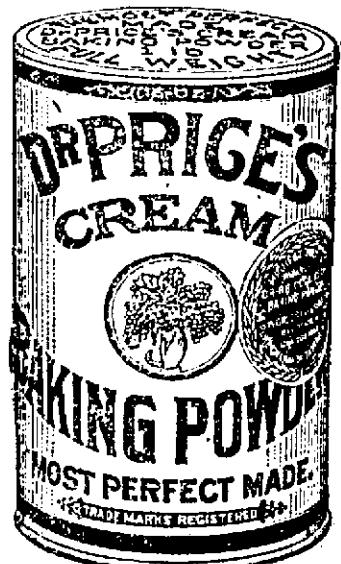
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Yard, Pleasant St., foot of Washington Street. New Phone 293, Old Phone 2061. City Office at Badger Drug Store. Both Phones 178.

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PRICE BAKING POWDER CO., CHICAGO.



PRESIDENT RICHARDS, AMERICAN MINING CONGRESS
President J. H. Richards of the American Mining congress, which met recently in Chicago, is an unexcelled authority as to ores and metals. He is frequently called upon by capitalists to judge of the value of mining lands involving expenditures of millions of dollars.

A SPINSTER SAYS THAT—

The meaner men try to be the less they enjoy it.

It isn't so much what a man thinks as what he does that counts.

The more worthless some men are the longer they seem to live.

The father of a bright boy is a firm believer in hereditary smartness.

An idea must feel awfully lonesome when it gets into some men's heads.

If a man is really made of dust that explains why so many are always dry.

When a man doesn't feel well he always says he has been working too hard.

If men could read each other's minds there would be a radical change in thinking.

Ask the average man where he got his umbrella and he will hesitate before replying.

The man who doesn't know what he wants is always kicking because he doesn't get it.

A man who accompanies his wife to a bargain sale is about the cheapest looking thing in sight.

The parson adds one to one and the sum is one; the Divorce Judge subtracts one from one and two remain.

A man is apt to learn a good many things from his children until they get old enough to know as little as he does.

Suggestions

FOR

Gift Buyers

There is not a stock in the store but offers something that's good, cheap and serviceable for those who buy sensible gifts.

HOLIDAY HANDKERCHIEFS

Our assortment of handkerchiefs is by much the largest and most attractive we have ever displayed and as usual the prices are pure linen. Women's and men's pure linen handkerchiefs, all width hems, at 10, 12 1/2, 15, 25, 35 and 50c. Women's scalloped embroidered handkerchiefs, 10, 12, 15, 25c and up to \$1.50. A sample line of ladies' handkerchiefs at 25, 35 and 50c, worth one-third more. For the little ones—3 handkerchiefs, plain white or colored border, put up in fancy box, 15c.

HOLIDAY RIBBONS

100 pieces plain and fancy ribbons, values to 50c, all at one price, 19c.

HOLIDAY NECKWEAR

Our showing is complete and includes all the latest novelties, prices ranging from 25c to \$2.

SILK PETTICOATS

A sample line—black and a beautiful line of colors—on sale at a third less than they are worth. Prices from \$3 to \$12.

CHILDREN'S FUR SETS

A dozen new ones just received in squirrel, thicket, lamb, chinchilla, white thicket. Prices range from \$1.50 to \$8.

Holiday sale of

Coats, Furs and Suits

Large assortment, low prices

Orchard & Co.
pay goods at the lowest prices

CANDIES

Over 40 different varieties of strictly high-grade candies. If you pay 25, 30 or 40 cts. at other stores you get no better. Our price on all varieties.

10c per pound.

Empty Candy Boxes

Several kinds, 1/2, 1 and 2 lb boxes, 3, 5, 7 and 10c each.

The Nichols Co

Department Store, W. Milwaukee St.

Go-carts

25 cents

Last chance at this price. Everything in toys for Xmas.

A. W. HALL'S RACKET STORE

163 West Milwaukee

Gifts With

Utility and

Artistic Merit.

In our Christmas Jewelry stock there is a wide range for selection and an extensive variety of useful and ornamental toilet requisites, desk accessories, jewelry novelties, etc. Solid gold or filled watches that bear the guaranteed mark of the maker and our own assurance of worth.

Koebelin's

Jewelry and Musical Goods.

Hayes Block

Holiday Sale Continues

All Day Saturday.

We find after a busy season of selling that too many small articles occupy valuable space. These have been ruthlessly reduced in price to the actual manufacturer's cost. The list includes:

50 Pieces of Fine STATUARY
50 High Grade JARDINIERS
25 CHILDREN'S ROCKERS
12 JARDINIERS STANDS 25 FOOT STOOLS
All to be sold at Actual Factory Cost.

FRANK D. KIMBALL

18-20 West Milwaukee Street. Largest Furniture House in Southern Wisconsin

BURGESS BICYCLE SHOP WAS ROBBED

Crime Two Weeks Old Comes to Light After Long Suppression—\$75 in Jewelry Taken.

Efforts to suppress information that rightfully belongs to the newspaper occasionally succeed. The proprietor of the Burgess bicycle shop on the Corn Exchange discovered two weeks ago today that his store had been broken into on the previous evening and \$75 worth of gold rings, watch chains, and necklaces, which he had in a show-case, taken. He reported the matter to Acting Chief Brown and says he was advised to keep the matter quiet in order that the offenders might be caught. This he faithfully did until one of the other officers, happening to venture into his store a day or two ago, when asked if he had found that jewelry yet, professed in surprised tones his entire ignorance of the burglary. Mr. Burgess thereupon declared that the matter had been too thoroughly suppressed and told his friends about it.

WENT TO LAST RESTING PLACE

Rev. George Vater
Rev. J. H. Tippet and Dr. E. S. McClesney of this city left this morning for Madison to attend the funeral of the late Rev. George Vater of the Capitol city. Rev. Vater was pastor of the Clinton church for several years, but was forced to resign and give up the work of the ministry about a year ago on account of ill health. Rev. George Vater was born in England in 1852, and died at his home in Madison, at 7:30 a. m. Wednesday, aged 52 years. Deceased came to America in 1881, settling at St. Johns, Newfoundland, where he was pastor of a church for six years. He then moved to the United States, coming to Columbus, Wis., where he remained two years. He was at Wausau five years, Oconomowoc five years, Beloit two years, and Clinton three years as pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Mrs. A. H. Plummer
The remains of the late Mrs. A. H. Plummer will arrive in the city tonight on the 9:05 train over the North-Western road. Notice of the funeral will be given later.

Mrs. John A. Collins
All that is mortal of the late Mrs. John A. Collins was laid to rest in Oak Hill cemetery this afternoon. Funeral services were held in South Beloit from the family residence at 71 Elmwood avenue at 12:00 o'clock and from the Central Methodist church in this city at 2:00 o'clock. Rev. Hosworth of Beloit officiated at both services. The pallbearers were Joseph Baer, William Morrisson, Lucius S. Lee, E. G. Harlow, J. H. Bliss and George Viney.

CURRENT NEWS NOTES

Witness in Dubuque: George Clark, salesman for Otto F. Lange Co. cigar dealers, of Dubuque has returned to Janesville after appearing on the witness stand at intervals for two weeks in the suit brought by his firm against the A. Santrell Co. of Tampa, Florida, and Chicago, involving the right to handle a certain brand of cigars. The plaintiff recovered \$5,500.

From Iowa, Kansas: Ralph Adair, who is now practicing law in Iowa, Kansas, returned to Janesville for the holidays last evening and is greeting old friends today.

Patsy Griffin in Again: Patsy Griffin accumulated his Christmas celebration all at once and in advance this morning and entertained a large following of small boys on the Milwaukee street bridge until taken in hand by Acting Chief Brown and escorted to the lock-up.

Examination Adjourned: The examination of Charles Boehm, charged with assault on the person of Chas. Homann, was yesterday afternoon adjourned until next Tuesday morning at ten o'clock.

John Fox Very Ill: General foreman, John C. Fox of the St. Paul road is very ill at his home, 215 West Bluff street.

Jury Was Excused: Judge Dunwiddle has excused the jury in circuit court until January 3 when the three cases against Henry O'Rourke for violation of the excise law will be taken up. The defendant has been asked for a change of venue and some other judge will be called in. The jury having disagreed, Thomas Mulcairn will have another trial on the charge of suborning perjury and this has been set at the last on the calendar.

Elected Officers: The Du Lac Lac Grange of Patrons of Husbandry of Milton Junction held an election of officers yesterday. The following were the officers elected: J. C. Carr, master; J. J. Dennett, overseer; Frank Shumacher, lecturer. The annual farmers' institute will be held January 17, 18 and 19.

Held a Contest: The senior class of the Milton Junction high school held its preliminary oratorical contest last night. Hattie Minard won the first place and Mable Hall the second.

The comment of those who have already purchased at F. C. Cook & Co.'s adds fire, so to speak, to the trading of others. Satisfaction is the greatest of all trade inducements. Late shoppers will find perfect satisfaction tomorrow.

Yesterday afternoon and evening, a large number of the students at the State school for the Blind left for their homes in different cities and towns of the state to spend the holiday vacation. The largest number of the scholars went to Milwaukee. Those who went to the Cream city are: Carl Hoffman, Frank N. Siegel, Joe Seiler, Emma Krogman, John Baer, Herbert Shabel, Charles Hauch, William Shabel, Violet Patterson, Herbert Cooley, Alice Somers, and Otto Bauer. George Bergman went to Watertown, Leonard Bellman to Oshkosh, Sarah Van Wold to Neenah, Florence Gomm to Janesville, Delia Heinsten to Blue Mounds, Emma Saxet to La Crosse, Martha Cox to Union Center, Mary Hanson to Grand Rapids, Adeline Margaret to Appleton and Herbert Margaret and Sarah Danes to Corliss.

FUTURE EVENTS

Christmas trees and celebrations at the churches, Christmas eve, Saturday evening, Dec. 24.
True S. James presenting "In A Woman's Power," at Myers theatre Monday afternoon and evening, Dec. 26.

LODGE MEETINGS TONIGHT

Canton Janesville No. 9, Patriarchs Militant, at West Side Odd Fellows' hall.
Oriental Lodge No. 22, Knights of Pythias, at Castle hall.
Women's Union Label league at Assembly hall.

BRIEF BITS OF LOCAL NEWS

"The Masquerader" at Sutherland's.
Calumet baking powder, the best.

The largest assortment and best values in handkerchiefs at T. P. Burns.

Opportunity to buy 50c neckwear at 25c tomorrow at Reiberg's.

"Out to Old Aunt Mary's" at Sutherland's.

Doll carriages, doll's kitchen tables, Savings Store, 7 S. Jackson St.
"The Prospector" at Sutherland's.
Christmas goods at Lowell's.

The best fur values in town are at T. P. Burns.

Buy one of the new books of fiction at Sutherland's.

Mixed nuts, 2 lbs., 25c. Nash.
House coat or smoking jacket special at \$3.95 tomorrow at Reiberg's.

Just received another shipment of automatic toys. Savings Store, 7 S. Jackson street.

Fancy King eating apples. Nash.

The man who receives a suit or overcoat for Christmas will be not only pleased but his need will be well supplied. Tomorrow you buy suits and overcoats special at \$10 and \$14 at Reiberg's.

Miniature furniture, juvenile books, Savings Store, 7 S. Jackson street.

Have the children see "Santa Claus, Jr." at St. Mary's hall, Dec. 26 and 27th.

Darlings for 1905 at Skelly's.

Games and shooting galleries and doll cradles. Savings Store, 7 South Jackson.

Those floral baskets make fine presents for Xmas. Janesville Floral Co. Oranges, cluster raisins. Nolan Bros.

Crown patent flour, \$1.50. Nash.

All our remaining stock of Christmas furnishings go at special reduction prices tomorrow. Amos Reiberg & Co.

The Janesville Sash & Door Co. can now deliver dry hard wood blocks on the day ordered; \$1.50 per load.

This week only northern dairy butter, 25c a pound. Nolan Bros.

The children of St. Mary's church will give the play "Santa Claus, Jr." at St. Mary's hall, Dec. 26 and 27th; admission, 25c.

Shrimp oysters. Nolan Bros. ad.

Look up Baumann Bros. ad, page 5. Fresh and immortal wreaths. Janesville Floral Co.

Christmas candy. Nolan Bros.

Brick ice cream is one of the cheapest desserts. Try it for Christmas. Shurtlett Co.

H. G. P. P. sausage, 15c. Nash.

"The Sea Wolf" at Sutherland's.

Nuts, figs, dates. Nolan Bros.

Best Delaware holly. Janesville Floral Co.

Lots of nice turkeys in for Christmas. A. C. Campbell.

Best 25c coffee on earth.

Best 50c tea on earth. Nash.

Best patent flour, \$1.50. Your money back if not satisfied. Nolan Bros.

Finest potted plants and baskets ever shown in city. Janesville Floral Co.

Order brick ice cream Saturday for Christmas. Shurtlett Co.

Buy aprons, towels, table linens and napkins here and save money. T. P. Burns.

Beautiful line of rosary beads and prayer books at Skelly's bookstore.

Roast pig and dressing at T. P. Madden's.

California navel oranges. Nash.

Save the freight. See Baumann Bros. ad, page 5.

See the children in cantata at St. Mary's hall, Dec. 26 and 27th.

"Christmas Eve on Lonesome" at Sutherland's.

Fish dinner at Jenkin's store, S. Main street, tomorrow, for the benefit of the Freedman, Miss Maria J. Gibbs, Supt. Dinner and supper will be served every day this week.

Wanted—Two connected unfurnished rooms in 2d or 3d ward, within 5 minutes' walk of Hotel Myers corner. Must be in house with quiet respectable people. Send address to Gazette office.

Buy it in Janesville.

See the children in cantata at St. Mary's hall, Dec. 26 and 27th.

"The Mountains and the Forest" by Stewart Edwards White at Sutherland's.

Special meeting of Laurel Lodge No. 2, D. of H., this evening at 7:30 at East Side I. O. O. F. hall.

Regular meeting of the Label league this evening.

Christmas calendars at Skelly's.

Reduced prices on fountain pens this week at Skelly's bookstore. Any make you want.

Save 20c lb. and use Calumet baking powder. Nash.

Remember the great Scotch concert in the opera-house Friday evening, Jan. 6th. Make no other engagement for that date.

Pork tenderloins.

Beef tenderloins.

Spare ribs. Nash.

Fine box stationery for Christmas gifts at Skelly's bookstore.

Hear the world famous Jessie McLachlan, the Scottish soprano, in the opera-house Jan. 6th, under the auspices of the Rock County Calabandian society. It will be the greatest musical treat of the season.

Alchlan had the honor of appearing repeatedly before the late Queen Victoria and received a jeweled bracelet in token of the queen's appreciation of her talents.

On corner, the best patent flour on earth, \$1.60. W. W. Nash.

Spend the last day before Christmas among the beautiful articles for gifts at F. C. Cook & Co.'s. Good things to fit every purse.

Buy it in Janesville.

IS DIVORCED AFTER NEARLY 30 YEARS

Sarah Anne Frisbee Secures Separation From Husband Who Left Her in 1876—Another Decree.

Sarah Anne Frisbee was today granted a divorce from her husband, Harry Frisbee, on the grounds of desertion. Her husband left home suddenly in 1876 and has never since been heard from, though it is believed that he still lives. Atty. William Smith appeared for the plaintiff, Mary Mills was granted a divorce from her husband, William O. Mills, on the grounds of non-support and was given the right to resume the former name of Skelly. The only contest was on the question of alimony, which was waived by the plaintiff, and costs. T. S. Nolan appeared for the plaintiff and John Cunningham for the defendant.

NEWS OF A PERSONAL NATURE

Henry Walsh and daughter Grace of Dickens, Iowa, are guests at the home of D. Walsh of Milton.

Joe Van Kirk is expected home from Chicago for Christmas.

Dr. J. W. St. John continues to improve slowly and is now able to be about the house.

Miss Winifred Fifield was expected home from Milwaukee today.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter L. Myers will spend Christmas with relatives in New Richmond.

Atty. E. J. Stevens is expected here from Chicago tonight.

Miss Blanche Dennison is home from Lawrence university of Appleton to spend the two weeks vacation with her parents in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Jeffris left last evening for a short visit with friends in Minneapolis.

Miss Ella Bartlett, a student at the southern Wisconsin business college will spend the holidays at her home in La Crosse.

George Solberg of Beloit was in the city yesterday and today on business.

Steven Pletcher is home from Beloit college for the holidays.

Miss Lulabelle O'Brien is in Cartwright, Wisconsin, where she will spend Christmas and New Years.

Forest Buckman, who is attending the southern Wisconsin business college, will be at his home in Brooklyn, Wisconsin during the holidays.

Nelson Francis, a son of J. B. Francis, will be the guest of relatives in Albany, Christmas.

Fred Scarsell is home from Beloit college for the Christmas vacation.

Miss Genevieve Howe of Port Arkison, a business college student, in this city has gone home for the holidays.

W. W. Dale will spend Christmas in Michigan.

Miss May C. Jacobs, a student in the Janesville high school, is spending the Christmas intermission in Nashville, Tenn.

The Misses Faye and Bernice Ford of Chicago will be guests at the home of W. S. Jeffris over Christmas.

Edwin Saunders, formerly of this city, now of Beloit, was a Janesville visitor yesterday.

Glen Snyder is home for the holidays.

Emory Clockain will spend the holidays at his home in Burnett Junction, Minn.

J. Wikman is spending the holidays at his home in Metropolitan, Mich.

George Smith of Clinton transacted business in the city yesterday.

George Campbell is in Chicago.

Fred E. Lehman has gone home to Minnesota Junction for the holidays.

Mrs. Charles Morgan of Evansville was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Baines in this city Wednesday.

James Anderson is spending the holidays at his home in Troy Grove, Illinois.

Mail Carrier C. J. Blakely, who has been laid up at his home on Glen street the past two weeks with a broken rib, is improving slowly and able to be about the house.

Ed Brooks, formerly of Janesville, now of Linton, North Dakota, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brooks, here during the holidays.

Frank Meyer is spending the Christmas season at his home in Des Plaines.

The many friends of Mr. W. K. Knights, formerly of this city, will be sorry to learn that he is very ill at his home at Wild Rose, Wis., with typhoid fever.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Glenn will spend the holidays in Chicago with their son, Dr. Fred Glenn.

Miss Mabel Glenn will spend her vacation with her sister, Mrs. Roy Cary.

One day more to complete the holiday purchases and the late shopper can feel that at F. C. Cook & Co. they will secure a selection equal to that which we have shown through the entire season. Such is the unlimited stock which we purchased.

Special Sale of ladies' fall and winter shoes. For sale at Marshall's factory at cost price. Open daily.

Real Estate Transfers.

Frank McAlpin and wife to S. D. Meach, \$200.00. Pt. lot 129 Hackett's add, Beloit. Vol. 166dd.

The Coliseum

Ladies free tonight. Imperial band concert from 8 to 10 o'clock.

Read the ads. Get the habit.

Wines and liquors for Christmas

Most people would appreciate a nice bottle of wine or whiskey for a Xmas gift, the finest line in the city. Come in and get a sample before buying.

SEND IN YOUR ORDERS.

JAMES SHERIDAN

10 South River St. New Phone 120

Dolls That Sleep and Prices that Talk.

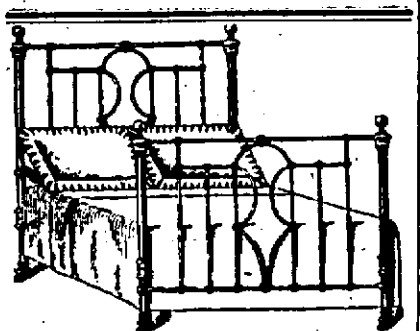
Yesterday at The Fair more dolls were sold than at all the other stores for the whole week. We pleased so many of our patrons with our bargains in dolls that we decided to continue the sale for the balance of the week. These prices remain until Saturday night.

Sleeping Doll, with kid body and black head, 17 inches in length, 19c
Sleeping Doll, jointed, kid body, 22 inches in length, 47c
Sleeping Doll, jointed, kid body, 26 inches in length, 98c
Sleeping Doll, jointed, dressed in pretty frock and bonnet, 98c
The original selling price and the special sale price is marked on each doll. Come early.

GROCERIES FOR CHRISTMAS

50-lb. sack Best Flour Made...\$1 50
Try a sack, take out a baking; if not as good as you are using, return balance of sack and get \$1.50 back.
Fine York State Apples, Baldwins, Greenings, and Spys; pk., 15c; bu., 60c
1-lb. package New Seeded Raisins, 08
1-lb. package Cleaned Currants, 08
White Clover Honey, lb., 12
New English Walnuts, lb., 13c; 25
2 for 25c
New Mixed Nuts, lb., 12 1/2
New Hickory Nuts, qt., 05
Finest Christmas Cheese, lb., 15
Old Popcorn, Every Kernel Pops, lb., 02
1 quart can Pure Maple Syrup, 20
1-lb. bottle Pure Maple Syrup, 12
Fresh Grated Coconut, lb., 15c; 25
2 for 25c
1 qt. Fresh Oysters and 3 lbs. Oyster Crackers, 50
Strictly Pure Ketchup Rendered Lard, lb., 10
Lard Compound, 08
Large Navel Sweet Oranges, doz., 25
Large Sliced Lemons, doz., 20

Open Every Evening Until Christmas. THE FAIR



Plenty Of Nice Xmas Presents

in Rockers, Morris Chairs, Center tables China Closets and Buffets.

A nice line of Jar-dinier stands at 50c each, also a beautiful quarter sawed oak, golden polish finished one, at \$1.00 Call and see the many useful presents in Furniture. No old goods to get out of the way. all new.

W. H. Ashcraft.

Furniture. Undertaking.

Dr. Chas. H. Sutherland,

Late resident physician Cook County Hospital.

Dr. F. E. Sutherland,

Late resident physician Chicago Homeopathic Hospital.

Office 217 Hayes Block, Janesville, Wis.

BUY YOUR Groceries In Janesville.

We have in Stock For Christmas Orders the Choicest of Goods.

We Quote As Follows:

Mixed Nuts, 2 lbs. for 25c.
Almonds, 20c lb.
Filberts, 15c lb.
Pecans, 13c lb.
Brazil, 10c lb.
New Hickory Nuts, 10c qt.; 3 for 25c.
English Walnuts, 18c lb.
Fresh Roasted Peanuts, 5c a big bag.
Malaga Grapes, 20c lb.
Fresh Cakes, 15c bunch.

RAISINS

Loose Raisins, 10c per lb.
Cluster Raisins, fancy, 20c lb.
Richell Seeded Raisins, 12c pk., full weight.
Dates, Hallowe'en, 8c per lb., very choice.
Oranges, fancy goods, 25, 30, 40c doz.

CANDY

Xmas Candy, 10c lb.; 3 for 25c.
Old-time Mixed, 10c lb.; 3 for 25c.
Peanut Squares, 15c lb.; 2 for 25c; very delicious.
Chocolates, 20 to 40c lb.
Stick Candy, 10c per lb.
We are handlers of good cheese such as Cottage, Brick, Swiss, Limburger, American Cheese; none finer in the city. We have a special deal with the cheese makers, so that our stock arrives from headquarters properly aged. Get a pound for Xmas dinner.
Candied Cherries, Pecan Meats, English Walnut Meats, fresh stock.
Fine Holly—A little left, going at 10c—cost price.
Leave your orders early.

A WORD TO PEOPLE WHO BUY GROCERIES AWAY FROM THIS CITY.

We GUARANTEE to meet any grocery price, quality considered, on orders from \$5 to \$10 and over, made you by the big mail order houses, and also save you the freight. Can you afford to pay cash and lose the freight?

BAUMANN BROS.

Phones 260. 14 N. Main St.

Xmas Bargains

Good things from our big stock seasonal specialties

Best Cranberries 7c qt.

Best Sweet Potatoes 3c lb.

Best Janesville Corn 7c can

We are loaded with all kinds of Xmas groceries.

It will pay you to visit our store,

Phones No. 9.

DEDRICK BROS.

Goodman Bros.

Carriages Night or Day.

Stand at

SHERER'S DRUG STORE

Cor. Mil. & Franklin. Both Phones.

Winslow's Xmas Specials...

Only one day more before Xmas to buy your Groceries.

Below are some BARGAINS FOR SATURDAY ONLY.

18 lbs. Granulated Sugar \$1.00

Golden Palace Flour \$1.50 Per sack.

White Star Flour, \$1.45 sk.
5 packages Seeded Raisins, 25c.
5 packages Cleaned Currants, 25c.
New Dates, 5c lb.
Large Layer, Figs, 12 1/2c lb.
2 packages None Such Mince Meat, 25c.
3 packages Jell-O, 25c.
Plum Pudding, 10c can.

Sweet Pickles, 20c qt.
Large Pickles, 10c doz.
Medium Sourd Pickles, 25c gal.
Nice Mild Cheese, 15c lb.
Large Bottle Olives, 20c.

OYSTERS, large, fresh, bulk
Oysters, 35c qt.
Salted Oyster Crackers, 7c lb.; 4 lbs. for 25c.

CANDY, a large line of candy.
Best Chocolate, 25c lb.
Honey Comb Cream Candy, 15c; 2 lbs. 25c.
Peanut Candy, 15c; 2 lbs., 25c.
Cream Mix, 15c; 2 lbs., 25c.
Mixed Candy, 10c; 3 lbs., 25c.

Large Walnuts, 15c lb.
Almonds, 15c lb.
Filberts, Pecans, Brazil Nuts & Walnuts, 15c; 2 lbs., 25c.
Walnut Meats, 10c lb.
Almond & Pecans,

TWO STORES
CLOTHING
and SHOES**REHBERG'S**
The Late Shoppers Xmas ChanceTWO STORES
CLOTHING
and SHOES

A GENERAL CLEAN UP of our stock of holiday goods will take place tomorrow—Saturday. The tremendous rush of business our store has enjoyed will receive a final push in a fitting way, in keeping with our ever energetic methods. Prices will be smashed down to your price, Saturday. Price Reductions on **Shoes, Clothing, Neckwear, Hosiery, Gloves, Mittens, Mufflers, Umbrellas, Suit Cases, Sweaters, House Coats and Slippers.**

Special Gift—House Coats and Smoking Jackets; beautiful creations, all wool reversible cloth at **\$3.95**

Neckwear, Special, All colors, and in Four-in-hands, Puffs and Tecks, the regular 50c kind, reduced Saturday to **25c.**

SHOES—When all else is said Shoes make the gift of worth. \$3.00 to \$3.50 will bring more comfort and joy to the recipient, in a pair of Shoes than a like amount in most anything else. This applies to either men or women.

Special Day of Values Tomorrow.

MEN'S SUITS AND OVERCOATS

\$10

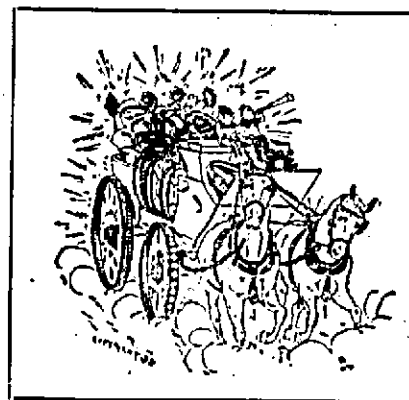
These goods are strictly man tailored, made of the finest all wool cassimeres, tweeds, chevots, worsteds, etc., black, blue and the late effects--the regular \$15 stock--exceptional value at **\$10.00.**

\$14 For Men's \$20 Overcoats, and the kind you pay \$22 to \$25 for elsewhere. Very handsome--equal to tailor made garments. Holiday Special, **\$14 00.**

AMOS REHBERG & CO.

F. C. COOK & CO.

ONE MORE BUSY DAY ..THEN CHRISTMAS..



There are still beautiful things for late shoppers. This mammoth stock has proven all that we have claimed for it in size and assortment. The cases show no depletion and the buyers of tomorrow will have the satisfaction of knowing that the best procurable is theirs.

Endless Almost In Its Capacity For Pleasing The Exacting Is This Stock

Silver Novelties, 30c up, comprising Mantel Articles, Shoe Horns, Tooth Brushes, Desk Articles, Clothes Brushes, Military Brushes, Etc., Silver Knives, Forks, Spoons, and complete Sets of Silver, Solid Silver Pieces in the new Butler finish—rich effects. Solid Silver Toilet Sets of 3 pieces, Comb, Brush and Mirror, massive, rich patterns, \$10 up to \$18; Special Large Line of Brooches and Pins, in the new Rose Gold and Roman Gold effects, very attractive styles, \$2.50 up to \$3.00. Beautiful diamond brooches, \$40 up to \$200. Rich cut glass in great variety. Pieces at 75c, such as carver rests, hand-some patterns at higher price. Chasing Dishes, Art China pieces, Antique, Brass, Etc., Etc.

For the hurried one a glance through these Suggestions will be helpful. A visit then to this store will complete the business.

MANTLE CLOCKS, WATCHES, LEATHER SHOPPING BAGS, Etc.
EYE GLASSES, SHAVING MUGS, UMBRELLAS, CARVING SETS, TRAVELING SETS.

F. C. COOK & CO., Oppo. Old Postoffice.**FROM ENGLISH SHIRE**CAME FOUNDERS OF AMERICAN
TOWN OF WINTHROP.

Groton First Granted to the Head of the Family in 1544—Church That Has Stood for Many Centuries in the Typical Rural Hamlet.

(Special Correspondence.)

In the commonwealth of Massachusetts there is a prosperous town called Winthrop; in that domain of His Majesty King Edward yept England there is a snug little town called Groton. The two are closely related; in fact, are mother and son, as are so many English and Massachusetts towns, but until recently the residents of Winthrop did not know what a quaint old mother they had. When the library trustees of the Frost Public Library at Winthrop matured a scheme for connecting the history of their town with that of old England, from whence came its early settlers, they wrote to the Rev. John W. Wayman, rector of the church at Groton, requesting photographs of the old church and of other points of interest in connection with the home of Deane Winthrop, who settled at "Pulvin" Poynte," as Winthrop was then called. They received in the course of time the following reply:

"I fear you must think I never received your letter of 26th March last; or having received it have forgotten all about it. Such is not precisely the case. My delay in replying to it has been caused by the inability to get the accompanying photos taken. This is a very out of the way place, and, though photography is common enough; it is only lately that a photographer has taken up his temporary abode in the neighboring parish of Boxford, and given me the opportunity of having the inclosed done."

From such a town, hardly changed at all in the intervening 256 years, came Deane Winthrop, the sixth son of Gov. John Winthrop, about the year 1643. He settled at "Pulvin" Poynte," which in 1738 became Chelsea, a part of North Chelsea in 1846, and was incorporated as the town of Winthrop in 1852. The old house in which he lived is still standing.

Town of Groton in 1847. Robert C. Winthrop thus describes the town of Groton as it was in 1847: "It was one of a cluster of rural villages, five in number, which lie between the large towns of Hadleigh and Sudbury, in the southwest corner of that thriving agricultural country. The landscape around them has no peculiar features either of beauty or grandeur; but clothed as it was, in the matchless verdure of an English summer, it presented a picture of quiet loveliness which one would not willingly have lost. Little Waldingfield and Groton appear to have been the least noted of the surrounding villages, and even the name of the latter would seem to have disappeared

Governor John Winthrop—1587-1649, vestry was the old parish register, the second entry on whose time-stained leaves gave the date of the death of the family in 1562.

"There, too, was the tomb in which the father, the grandfather, and possibly the great-grandfather of the first emigrant to New England had been successively buried. The inscription was almost illegible, but enough could be deciphered to verify an ancient copy. It read as follows: 'Heaven the country; Christ the way. Here lies the body of Adam Winthrop, Esq., son of Adam Winthrop, Esq., who were Patrons of this Church and Lords of the manor of Groton. The above named Adam, the son, married Anna, the daughter of Henry Browne of Edwinstown, by whom he had one son and four daughters. He departed this life in the year of our Lord 1623 and of his own age 75. But Anna, his wife died

1628. She also is buried here with him. Blessed are the peacemakers; for they shall be called the sons of God."

Received Groton in 1544.

The first Winthrop—one Adam Winthrop—received the grant of Groton, formerly the lordship of the abbot of Bury, at the dissolution of the monasteries in 1544. Here the second Winthrop died. The third of that name, the father of the Massachusetts governor, was born in London August 10, 1548, but, although not the oldest son, later came into possession of the manor of Groton. He was something of a poet. His son, John Winthrop, who came to America in 1630 as Governor of Massachusetts, and who was the father of Deane, was born at Edwinstown, near the family seat at Groton, Jan. 12, 1587. He was very precocious and was made a justice of the peace when 18 years old, and was married when only a little over 17. This wife bore him six children, the



John Winthrop, Jr., Governor of Connecticut, 1606-1676.

eldest of whom became the governor of Connecticut.

He married a second time, and this wife died in a little over a year. In the year 1618 John Winthrop was once more established in domestic life, his third wife being Margaret Tyndall, daughter of Sir John Tyndall. John Winthrop lived along in this quiet country town, enjoying the life of a well-to-do and respected squire and devoting his energies to the rearing of his children. His letters to his wife and sons show him to have been an diligent, conscientious worker, devoted to his family. And then came into his life something which was to change his whole course and that of his offspring; the New England enterprise. He was well along in years when he became interested in the Massachusetts company, and when he determined to pluck up his stakes in his own land with a view of planting them again in a remote wilderness he was strongly advised against the step by his old friends. But he made up his mind to it after long and careful study of the question, believing it to be his duty to do so.

THE GOLDEN EAGLE**Just One More Day to Buy Your Christmas Gifts**

And we have marked down every item in this store to make Saturday the banner day of the year. Plenty of suitable gifts to choose from.

Men's Smoking Jackets

All our \$7.50 House Coats, in beautiful two tone effects, the most acceptable gift for man; our special for Saturday.....

\$4.50**Men's Bath Robes**

Your choice of any Bath Robe in the store, none reserved, in Terry and Blanket Cloth. Cut extra long and very suggestive, and at the price would make a good gift; at.....

\$4.50**Beautiful Night Robes**

In satin and very fine muslin that sold at \$1.50. Special for Saturday only.....

98c**Men's Silk Mufflers**

Our regular \$3.00 grade cut to.....
Our regular \$2.00 grade cut to.....
Beautiful line of Silk Mufflers in very pretty patterns, that sold at \$1.50 and \$2.00; special for Saturday.....

\$2.00**\$1.50****98c****Gloves, Fancy Suspenders**

and Neckwear—All reduced to make tomorrow our gala day of the week.

Holiday Slippers**Men's and Boys' Slippers**

The very newest, with burnt Indian Head figures on each slipper, making a beautiful effect; special.....

\$1.49**Men's Slippers**

Opera and Everett styles, a most complete stock to choose from; at special prices.....

\$1.75

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Sherman's Coup at Savannah

A FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY WAR STORY

December 13, 1864

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SHERMAN'S march to the sea came to an end early in December, 1864, and the first problem to settle was the establishment of a base on the coast to sustain his army. Savannah was the most suitable port, but was in the hands of the Confederates. General W. J. Hardee held the city with a force of 18,000 men. The Confederates were not certain as to Sherman's plans or movements after he reached the coast, but assumed that he would turn northward and strike the rear of Lee on James river. For this reason it was decided not to make a stubborn fight to hold Savannah in case he should surround it, but that Hardee should withdraw his troops and unite them with other Confederate forces in the Carolinas to dispute Sherman's march northward.

The city of Savannah is built upon a sandy plateau about forty feet above tide in Savannah river. Sherman approached it from the south across territory cut up with little streams tributary to the Ogeechee river. His troops closed in on Dec. 12 so as to form a line from the Ogeechee to the Savannah above the city. Hardee prepared to defend the place and assigned his troops and commanders to the most important points. His batteries consisted of about 100 guns, half of them of heavy caliber.

The principal work to be attacked was Fort McAllister, situated at Genesis Point, on the southern bank of the Ogeechee river, and commanding the channel of approach from Osnaburgh sound and also covering the bridge of the Gulf railway across the river. It was a heavy earthwork, with its principal front toward the river, which it was intended to defend. The armament consisted of seven heavy guns in permanent position and eight light field guns. The river all around was planted with torpedoes, and sub-torpedoes had been planted on the land approaches to the fort. The land defenses were strengthened by palisades and abatis. The garrison of Fort McAllister at the time of Sherman's attack numbered about 200 men, under command of a major. On the approach

"NOT YET, BUT IT WILL BE IN A MINUTE," of Sherman General Hardee had supplied the work with fifty days' rations to enable the men to stand a siege in case the work should be isolated. It was located about fifteen miles from the city of Savannah.

During the last few days of Sherman's march the troops had been on short rations. Breadstuffs were scarce in the country passed through, and the army foraging bands had brought in but scant supplies. The first task was to get in touch with Federal transports on Osnaburgh sound. A Federal scouting officer passed Fort McAllister by night in a canoe and succeeded in reaching the friendly fleet in the sound. However, it would be impossible to make use of the Ogeechee to bring the transports close to camp until Fort McAllister was in Sherman's hands. The Federal cavalry under General Kilpatrick attempted to reach the fleet along the roads leading through the swamps seaward, but had failed. Kilpatrick also attempted to take the fort by surprise, but this also failed, and Sherman ordered General O. O. Howard, whose command lay nearest the work, to send a force sufficient to carry the place by storm at the first dash. This would involve the least loss of life. Howard sent the division of General W. H. Hazen to do the work, and after a circuitous march it reached the front of the fort about noon on the 13th of December.

In order to prevent re-enforcements from reaching the fort from the Confederate lines at Savannah proper General Howard planted two guns upon a hill about two miles from the rear of the work. Near the battery was a rice mill, which stood close to the river bank and commanded a view of the fort, the river and the sound. Howard used the mill for a signal station, and

while Hazen was marching forward to the attack he and Sherman looked on and communicated by signal.

General Hazen's advance guard captured a picket about a mile from the fort and got from him the particulars about the torpedoes buried in the road leading to the fort. These were removed, and a brigade of troops moved forward to within half a mile of the work. The commander of the brigade wished to dash ahead at once, but General Hazen decided to wait until portions of three brigades could be brought into position. The reserves and supports found difficulty in getting forward without drawing the enemy's fire, and it was 5 o'clock before the signal for attack could be given.

Luck favored Hazen's enterprise from the very start. The discovery of the torpedoes saved his line from heavy casualties and possibly from panic, for hidden foes are a terror to the bravest men. It happened also that just before the attack the garrison had added an abatis to the defenses on the land side of the fort by felling large trees and cutting the limbs, which when sharpened formed a hedge of wooden bayonets in the pathway of the assailants. But the attack came before they had time to remove the large trunks of the trees, and these gave good cover to Hazen's skirmishers, enabling them to get close to the fort and pick off the Confederate gunners. In this way the guns of the fort were rendered useless.

While Sherman and Howard impatiently watched the proceedings on Hazen's line from their perch upon the rice mill a tugboat from the fleet sneaked along under shelter of the Federal commander. As the sun was going down Sherman signaled Hazen to hurry the charge, and just then the captain of the tug hauled Sherman to ask if the fort had been taken. Sherman answered, "Not yet, but it will be in a minute."

The gallant dash of Hazen's men quickly fulfilled Sherman's promise. There was a short, sharp struggle on the parapet, and then detachments from all sides poured into the fort. So swiftly did the line move that no halt was apparent either at the abatis, the palisades or the ditch. The ground on the outer edge of the ditch had been planted with Confederate torpedoes, and there the assailants lost heavily, about 200 men killed and wounded. This method of defense, barbaric as it seemed, is permissible by the usages of war. A further stroke of luck favored the attacking party at the right time. The extreme flanks of the works extended to the water, and the palisade had been constructed with a view to high tide. At the moment of attack the tide was out, and Hazen's soldiers passed safely around the obstructions on a dry beach. In fifteen minutes after the charge was sounded the Confederate flag came down. The garrison made no formal surrender, but individuals ceased to struggle when they found themselves overpowered. The Confederate loss in killed and wounded was forty-eight in all. Sherman sent dispatches by the tug to Admiral Dahlgren, whose fleet lay off the coast, and went himself by steamer next day to confer with the navy about removing obstructions to the channel of the Ogeechee to enable transports to bring supplies to camp. A dispatch steamer which was with the fleet brought instructions from Grant to Sherman directing him to move his army by water to the James river and aid in the attack on Richmond.

Sherman decided to capture Savannah in any event on the 17th of December and sent to General Hardee a demand for the surrender of the city. This demand was refused, and Sherman prepared to lay siege. Hardee had no intention of remaining until he was shut in by overwhelming forces, and Sherman, fearing that the foe would escape, sailed away to Hilton Head, up the coast from the mouth of the Savannah river, where there was a large force of Federal troops. Supposing that Hardee would attempt to go north to Charleston, he hoped to intercept a force in South Carolina to cut off the retreat.

Meanwhile Hardee got out of the net, safely removing his troops and light artillery, and made his way to Charleston unopposed. When Sherman got back to the lines on Dec. 23 he found his troops occupying Savannah. His telegram to Washington announcing the capture was made public on Christmas eve and led to great rejoicing, although the escape of Hardee was a disappointment to the army. Sherman said that when Hardee refused to surrender the city there was no way out but a bloody assault or the complete investment of the place, and while he was occupied in efforts to close the last avenue the enemy slipped out.

ALL SET.

Servant—Mr. Smith is at the door. Young Woman—Is his picture on the mantle?

"Yes, ma'am."

"Are the roses he sent me on the piano?"

"Yes, ma'am."

"Is that book he bought me on the table?"

"Yes, ma'am."

"Well, let the pug dog he gave me into the parlor and admit him. I'll be down in a few moments."—Kansas City Times.

WIVES ON CHRISTMAS TREES

Strange Christmas Customs That Prevail in Parts of Russia.

Of all Christmas tree customs, one of the strangest prevails in parts of Russia. A gift tree is set up in the village, on the branches of which roost young unmarried women, clothed and hooded and veiled so that their identity is concealed. The swains are admitted one by one, just as they are in our familiar American game of "spat in, spat out." Each as he enters lifts a veil—of course at random—and the face thus disclosed belongs to his future wife. The act of lifting the veil betrays the couple, the penalty for breaking the engagement being a heavy fine to be paid into the village treasury.

Another Russian custom is a procession of children dressed in fantastic animal costumes. One boy holds aloft



A RUSSIAN CHRISTMAS TREE.

a star shaped paper lantern to represent the "star of the east" another carries on his back a miniature theater, on the stage of which puppet performances like "Punch and Judy" shows are given at every farmhouse where the motley pageant halts.

The modern Christmas tree comes to us from Germany, the Yule log from Scandinavia, Santa Claus from Holland and the Christmas stocking from France, but the Christmas turkey—ah, that is America's contribution to the world's stock of Christmas cheer! But there is one part of the world where the people are afraid to eat turkey. In Armenia it would be too much like treason to their cruel ruler, the Turk. If they do venture to eat the fowl they call it "Egyptian hen." Down in Egypt they name it "Indian hen." Thus both Armenians and Egyptians save themselves from Moslem vengeance.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Christmas Table Decorations.

The dinner table itself should proclaim the season by its decoration. A snowy cloth patterned with holly leaves or mistletoe, a centerpiece of glossy holly leaves and brilliant berries, silver candelabra and silver bonbon dishes are appropriate and dainty. Flat wreaths of holly tied with bows of "berry" red ribbon are very effective on the table, one in the center and one encircling each candelabrum. A silver or a cut glass bowl of holly and meteor roses or holly and mistletoe may be set in the wreath to complete the centerpiece. The outline of the Christmas star may be used instead of the wreaths. In this case the bows of ribbon are omitted. And for the guest cards either bells, stars, plum puddings, holly or ivy leaves, cut out and painted and ornamented with Christmas verse or greetings, are appropriate, and a little silk stocking of bonbons may be laid by each card as a souvenir.

Christ's Birthday.

There is something akin to sadness in the fact that in tracing the origin of many of our church festivals we find it in pagan celebrations antedating the Christian era. There is nothing certain even about the birthday of Christ. Some authorities assert that December was in the dry season, when shepherds were on duty day and night. In the controversy over the date, extending from December to May, Pope Julius (357-362) had an investigation made by St. Cyril and was satisfied that the 25th of December was correct. It was so established in the Roman church, and before the end of the fourth century the dictum was universally accepted.—Boston Herald.

Mrs. Lender's Liberator.

Struggling Pastor—Nearly all the congregation has subscribed liberally for the Christmas tree fund, and I feel sure that I can also have your hearty co-operation. How much will you give?

Mrs. Lender—Let me see. Oh, I am the only member who has a carriage and coachman, I think.

"Yes. The rest are poor."

"Well, I will drive around and collect the subscriptions."

Christmas Day.

Oh, blessed day which gives the eternal life to soul and sense and all the brute within.

Oh, come to us and this week of life, To halt and hover; come to all who toil in senate, shop or study and to those Who, sundered by the wastes of half a world,

Ill warned and rarely tempted, ever face Nature's brute powers and men unmaned to brutes—

Come to them, blest and blessing, Christmas day.

Tell them once more the tale of Bethlehem—

The kneeling shepherds and the Babe divine—

And keep them men indeed, fair Christmas day.

—Charles Kingsley.

What the Robin Told The Holly Sprig

By MARY BAIN BILTON

ON a mountain side grew a sprig of holly. Beneath, in the valley, nestled a village, and the holly could see the people moving about, the cattle going to and from the brook for water; indeed, there was constant motion, while the holly sprig was always still except when the wind set it in motion. One morning a robin lit on the holly sprig, clutching it with its tiny claws.

"How I wish I were you!" said the sprig to the bird. "You can fly anywhere and see what is going on, while I am doomed to hang here, passing my life in one spot."

"Yes," said the robin, "I can go about and see the world, and I have opportunities of learning. The other day—it was Sunday—I perched on a limb near a church and heard the clergyman say that one of the greatest blessings was contentment."

Then the robin flew away.

One winter morning when the snow had fallen the holly sprig heard merry voices, sounding very loud in the moist air, coming up the mountain side, and presently a number of children approached. They were gathering holly, and one of them took hold of the little holly twig and twisted it off its parent bush. Then it was thrown into a bag with other sprigs and taken down to the village. For a time it lay perfectly still, but suddenly the mouth of the bag was opened, a hand thrust in and the holly taken out.

Then for the first time the holly sprig saw a new sight. It was in a lighted room where boys and girls were at work. The girls were tying evergreens together and making roses of them, while the boys were standing on tables and step-ladders arranging the ropes on the walls in festoons. Some of the girls were making evergreen wreaths and hanging them in the windows. One little girl took the holly sprig and hung it to a chandelier.

The holly sprig was supremely happy. How much more delightful was this than the bleak mountain side, with no change from day to day! It was somewhat disappointed when the boys and girls put out the lights and went out, leaving the room in darkness. It could see nothing, whereas in its mountain home on clear nights it could see the stars, and often the moon lighted up the trees about it and the valley below. However, in the morning the children came back to view their work, and people were coming and going all day, so that the holly sprig was not lonely. Indeed, it was cheered with its altered condition, which, it supposed, would last forever.

That day a young evergreen tree was brought into the room and stood before the chimney piece. The children brought in boxes, from which they took little wax candles and fixed them all over the tree. From other boxes they took iridescent and gilt globes, spangles and tinsel chains, which they scattered in profusion among the branches. But the climax of delight to the holly was in the evening, when the children



THE HOLLY SPRIG SAW A NEW SIGHT. All came in together. The candles were lighted, and all stood about admiring the beautiful tree.

"What a happy change for me!" exclaimed the holly sprig. "I had not the children come and brought me down here I should now be a part of my parent bush, out in the cold wind, with nothing above me but a murky sky, nothing beneath but the cold snow."

Then some of the elder people who were present went to the evergreen tree and took off boxes and packages they had hung there in the night when the children were in bed and distributed them among the little ones. Each package was marked with the name of the child for whom it was intended and was opened eagerly. The holly sprig, hanging high in the center of the room, could see everything, and as each child opened its package watched eagerly to see what was being unwrapped. There was frequent clapping of hands, shouts of laughter, everything expressive of happiness.

"This is delightful," said the holly sprig to itself. "I wonder if they are going to do this often."

By and by, when the merry-making had lasted a long while, the candles on the tree were extinguished and the children were sent to bed. Then their parents put out the lights, and the room was dark. But the holly sprig had so much to remember that it did

not feel lonely during the night, expecting that it would again have plenty of company on the morrow.

In the morning before the sun was up servants came into the room and took out the evergreen tree, then tore down the evergreen from the wall. The holly sprig looked on, terrified. One of the servants said to another: "It's a pity master doesn't like to see these things about after Christmas. They would look pretty for weeks." With that the holly was pulled down and thrown into the general heap, all of which was taken down into the cellar.

Then the holly sprig wished itself back on the mountain side, where it could see the sun sparkling on the snow and icebergs by day and the stars and the moon by night, but as the juice of life dried out of it it gradually lost sensation.

One spring morning a servant came down into the cellar and looked about for some kindling. Seeing the holly sprig, she took it upstairs, put it on the hearth in the room where the tree had been, laid wood on it and touched a match to its dry leaves. As it burst into a flame it thought of its home on the mountain side, where the buds were sprouting, the soft south wind was stealing up the valley and the sweet summer time was at hand. Its last remembrance was what the robin had heard the clergyman say:

"One of the greatest blessings is contentment."

CHRISTMAS TREES.

Where They Come From and How They Are Sold.

Where do all the Christmas trees come from? You would think there were not enough to supply the huge demand, but in almost all parts of the country there are big pine, fir and cedar tree forests that remained undisturbed for centuries until Mark Carr gave Americans the idea of cutting them for Christmas.

It used to be that Maine furnished 90 per cent of them, and for two months before the holiday the woodmen were busy chopping and the farmers were busy carting them to the stations, where they were loaded into cars and sent west and south to be sold to the dealers. Today Maine has rivals, and all the northern border states deal regularly in Christmas trees. Christmas tree selling is a entering business nowadays, and it is entered into with all the formality and shrewd business methods that you might use in disposing of acres of land.

The woods that furnish spruce and fir are sold on contract, and the jobber visits them in October to "size them up." He offers so much apiece for each tree as the trees run—usually about \$3 a hundred—and makes the money payable on receipt of the package of trees at the nearest railroad station. On their arrival in the city the jobber sells them to the wholesaler, getting about \$7 a hundred for the trees, after which the wholesaler sells them to the retailer at a good profit, and the retailer does his best to get big prices from the housewife and the head of the family.

The boughs of fir bring the highest price because of their symmetry and grace. After them come the stiffer pine and cedar, but when they are covered with gorgeous tinsel and brilliant bangles and strung with popcorn, candy, toys and presents you really do not see much of the form of the tree.

One of the most remarkable facts about the Christmas greens lies in connection with the people who handle them. Christmas tree merchants do a rushing business and work steadily from October to the 1st of January, after which they take a vacation and are the laziest of all idlers from January to the next October. Their season is only three months long, but they have to "step lively" during that time or it will pass them by unremunerated.—Washington Star.

Christmas in Bethlehem. Christmas in the Holy Land is an interesting experience. Indeed it is one never to be forgotten, and every Christmas thousands of persons from all over the world make a journey to Palestine in order to witness the various ceremonies held there during the festive season. Every one almost puts up at Jerusalem and on Christmas morning makes his way to Bethlehem, which lies almost due south, about six miles away as the crow flies, over a range of hills. No highway the world over presents such a motley crowd as may be seen streaming along this thoroughfare early on Christmas morning.

Where the Heavens Open.

In Poland it is believed that on Christmas night the heavens are opened and the scene of Jacob's ladder is re-enacted, but only the saints are permitted to see it. In Holland the people enter thoroughly into the spirit of the Nativity. In nearly every Dutch town at 2 o'clock Christmas morning the young men assemble at the market place, singing the "Gloria" and other hymns. One of them carries a large star on a pole. This is supposed to represent the star that guided the steps of the three kings to the stable at Bethlehem.

A Holiday Jingle.

Cedar standing in de cold,
Trim dat Christmas tree,
Maple drops a bunch o' gold,
Trim dat Christmas tree,
Stars a-shinin' in de night
Make de snowflakes glisten bright,
Gwine to hab it lookin' right,
Trim dat Christmas tree.

Rabbit's track runs round about,
Trim dat Christmas tree,
"Simmons callin'"—hush me about,
Trim dat Christmas tree.

In my eyes a-gettin' dim?
What's dat hangin' 'um de limb?
Fossam! An' I'm proud o' him!
Trim dat Christmas tree.

—Washington Star.

In the Vacant Lot.

THE vacant lot is not a thing of beauty, as a J. To any one who looks at it to suit the day.

It's overgrown with burdock where it isn't trampled bare; It's littered up with rubbish—but the boy, he doesn't care. He doesn't mind the heaping of discarded can and crock; The refuse from the alleys doesn't give his nose a shock. He sees a heap of weeds in that disregarded plot. So there's nothing suits him better than the awful vacant lot.

He finds that it's a holly place for marble in the spring; Its cater cornered path has just the surface for a ring. It yields him "rums for shakin'" when the parched throat is aching. Affords him sweet seclusion for the purpose of a fight.

There's space within its limits for the summer game of ball; It's where he lights his bonfires when the leaves begin to fall. In winter when it's freezing it's a mighty lively spot; There's always dandy skating on the flooded vacant lot.

And sometimes there's a whirligig that goes around by steam. With music and with mirrors, a kaleidoscope dream. And now and then a circus in the lot will pitch its tent. And boys can wriggle under—if the copper don't prevent.

A park is mighty pretty, but it's in another class; They're apt to pinch a feller if he don't keep off the grass. You doesn't climb a tree there. Yes, it's pretty, but it's not A place of joy and freedom like the good old vacant lot.

—Chicago News.

Putting Him Wise.



Bug—You better stop! I just got an awful letter for eating that!—New York Evening Journal.

Babbie's Plan.

Although Babbie had done his share toward demolishing the dinner, the dessert did not leave him too full for attendance.

"Mr. Fumbler," he broke the ice of silence, "you haven't done your trick yet. Will you do it after dinner?"

"I don't believe I know any parlor tricks, Babbie," replied the victim, casting sheep's eyes at Sister Jennie.

"Sis says every other time you open your mouth you put your foot in it, and won't you please do it, 'cause I just love contortion stunts!"

For the rest of the evening Mr. Fumbler's mouth was not open wide enough for the insertion of a pin, to say nothing of a No. 11.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

Changed His Mind.

A tramp, dirty and ragged to the last degree, called at a house on the door of which was a doctor's sign. A large, rather masculine looking woman opened the door.

"Sense me, lady," said the tramp, "but I jist called to ask if the doctor had any old clothes he'd let me have. You see, I'm kind o' bad off for all kind o' clothes, an' I'd be much obliged fer anything the doctor could let me have, an' I ain't particular as to the fit."

The woman smiled and made reply: "I am the doctor!"

"Sufferin' Moses!" ejaculated the tramp as he made a bee line for the gate.—Lippincott's Magazine.

Declined to Interfere.

"Sir," began the nervous young man as he entered the presence of the dear girl's father, "I want to marry your daughter, and—"

"Oh, don't come to me with your troubles," interrupted the old man. "She told me six months ago that she intended to marry you, so that you have to fight it out between yourselves."—Chicago Chronicle.

Those Girls.

Bessie—I suppose you have heard that Fred Simpson and I are going to be married?

Florence—Yes, but of course I shouldn't have mentioned it if you hadn't. I hope I have more regard for your feelings than that.—Boston Transcript.

Turned Down.



"Parlor me," said the masher, "but you look like a young lady I know."

"Parlor me," interrupted Miss Bright, "but you look like a man I don't know."

Shooting In the New Year

RACING, whirling, nerve wrecking as has become the recognized spirit of our times, yet in the remote districts lingers a serenity so unshaken we can but marvel over the dual nature of this thing we call American. Customs of the fatherland have become so grafted upon the never land one feels the richness of the past ever mellowing the crudeness of the present.

One of the most lovable of these old customs, redolent with the air of feudalism, is that of shooting in the new year. We first hear of it among the early German settlers of Pennsylvania, where it has long since become obsolete, but about 1750 there was a general migration from Pennsylvania down to the hill country of the Carolinas. In rumbly old wagons these pioneers journeyed, laden with feather beds and delfware, sprigs of fruit trees and sturdy babies.

As the life history is but a repetition of the race history, there came with their first strange new year a burst of helmsmen. Getting themselves together, they celebrated as best they could in memory of older days, and not once through all the years that have followed have these greetings been omitted.

Then tenantry and poorer people of the neighborhood gather at some appointed place about 9 o'clock in the evening, and the march begins. From one "big house" to another they tramp, dolorously intoning their doggerel, firing fierce salutes and doxat at the hands of the gentry.

Though North Carolina could never boast as many stately mansions as could some of her sister states, yet for homely comfort and lavish old time hospitality she has never been surpassed. Each of the dear old places has its own name, still lingering there—Swan Ponds, Pleasant Gardens, Mount Welcome, Ingleside. The sentiment of all was voiced on one stone gateway, which proudly bore the inscription:

Welcome all To Buncombe Hall.

Tradition tells us that the owner of this estate, Colonel Buncombe (of course he was a colonel, lived in the "low" country, and when he was entertaining guests whom he particularly enjoyed he had the bridge, the only means of escape, taken up, and hidden in the swamps. Most of these jovial hosts are sleeping now, each in his narrow bed forever laid, but the new year has a way of returning, and the shooters return with it.

On the last night of the year, as you sit over the hickory fire, there comes a



THE NEW YEAR SHOOTERS.

tramping in the front yard, and a deep voice outside begins the so called New Year's sermon with a forcing of the rhyme worthy of Walt Whitman.

A loud report being the thing desired, heavy wads are put on the powder and the gun muzzle held close to the ground. After the shooting comes the hint:

If you are a man of grace, Come to the door and show your face.

The door is then thrown wide, and the company enter, awkward, grinning and shivering with cold. Some of them have come from a distance of eight or ten miles, as the country is sparsely settled, and must necessarily be tired, but they consider it more deferential to stand, or if one is finally persuaded to take a chair he sits on the edge uneasily.

The ruddy, Santa Claus-like old men exchange laconic remarks on the price of cotton; the youngsters refer to the possum hunt of the previous night. Some one goes to the piano and strains away in a frantic attempt to furnish amusement. They are staid until she strikes up "Dixie." The effect is magical. The callers mark time with muddy boots and remark slyly:

"That's the stuff!"

Apples and oranges, cakes and coffee, are now brought out. At some places the black bottle is passed around. Then the shooters with a relieved sigh pile out of the door. The society manner is a fearful strain.—New York Post.

CABBAGE WORM IS NOW DISCOVERED

MYSTERIOUS REPTILE WHICH IS THOUGHT POISONOUS

SUPPOSED CAUSE OF DEATHS

The State Board of Health of Illinois Has Made an Investigation.

J. M. Steffen, a well known farmer of Stephenson county, who has given considerable attention to the study of life in the vegetable kingdom has discovered what is called a cabbage snake. It is a parasite that has been causing considerable agitation in scientific circles and the large amount of space that the newspapers have been devoting to the poisonous properties contained in some cabbage plants may be traced directly to the cabbage snake.

Monroe Man Finds One.
J. T. Eitter of Monroe found a worm in a cabbage and a microscopic examination made by Drs. Loofboer and Eitter of the same city proved beyond doubt that it was a real cabbage snake. The worm answered completely the detailed description of the poisonous reptile. It had the appearance of a miniature inch worm and was a little over an inch in length. The microscope showed that the worm was made up in sections like a snake and showed the movements of the snake coiling up in different shapes. The snake while small, was very agile in its movements and was constantly moving its body. Its eyes were plainly seen, having the appearance of small red dots.

The snake was found in a cabbage head and was placed in a small bottle, but it did not survive long. Mr. Eitter had read about the cabbage snake and turned it over to Dr. Bear for microscopic examination.

Illinois Health Department.
The Illinois state health department has become interested in the cabbage snake and Dr. George T. Palmer, of the state board of health, has gone to Shiel, Vermilion county, to investigate a number of mysterious deaths which have occurred in that vicinity and which are attributed to the eating of cabbage infected with worms.

Reports of deaths and illness from "snakes in cabbage" have been received from numerous parts of Illinois, but so far the inspectors for the state board of health have not been able to find an authentic case and the impression has been gained that the reports were merely exaggerations and false rumors. That the people should attribute dire results from the eating of cabbage in which the long hair-worms are found is but natural when the antipathy for snakes and snake-like worms is considered.

Are Worms Responsible?
The report from Shiel states that James Rankin, a farmer, aged sixty, his wife, Mary Rankin, and four children were found dead in their beds, making nine deaths in the past few weeks due to cabbage worms. The farmers of the vicinity are reported to have decided to destroy the entire cabbage crop.

It was the opinion of Professor Stephen A. Forbes, state entomologist, that the reported deaths a few weeks ago could not have come from either of the worms infesting cabbage in different parts of the state, but a report of six deaths in one family and others in the immediate vicinity indicate a condition which requires the most careful attention and an absolute determination of the cause, whether it be from worms in cabbage or from any other disease condition.

Home-seekers' Excursion Rates.
One fare plus \$2 for the round trip via the C. M. & St. P. Ry. For territory to which tickets are sold, dates of sale, rates, tickets, train service and other information, apply to agents C. M. & St. P.

ELGIN BUTTER MARKET.
Elgin, Ill., Dec. 22.—Seventy tubs offered, 50 sold at the official price of 26 1/2c. Output, 539,200.

WRONG IDEA.

Don't get the wrong idea into your head that starvation is good for dyspepsia. It's not.

Those who have not studied the subject very deeply, or with trained scientific minds, might think so.

But facts prove otherwise. All specialists in stomach and digestive disorders, know that it is best for dyspepsia to be well fed.

Why dyspepsia is really a starvation disease!

Your food doesn't feed you. By starvation, you may give your bowels and kidneys less to do, but that does not cure your digestive trouble—simply makes you weaker and sicker; less likely to be permanently cured than ever.

No, the only right way to permanently cure yourself of any form of dyspepsia or indigestion, is to eat heartily of all the food that you find best agrees with you, and help your digestion to work with Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

This is a safe, certain, scientific, reliable method of treatment, which will never fail to cure the most obstinate cases if preserved in. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets have a gentle, tonic, refreshing effect on the secretory glands of the entire digestive tract.

They gently force the flow of fresh digestive juices. They contain, themselves, many of the chemical constituents of these juices, thus when dissolved they help to dissolve the food around them in stomach or bowels.

They therefore quickly relieve all the symptoms of indigestion, and coax the glands to take a proper pleasure in doing their proper work. They coax you back to health.

No other medical treatment of any sort nor any lax system of "culture" or "cure" will give you the solid, permanent, curative results, that will Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Write for a free book of Symptoms. F. A. Stuart Co., Marshall, Mich.

AMONG THE WORLD'S WORKERS

News Notes From Various Sources of great interest to the Workman

The Burgarian unionists have formed a National Federation; there are 3,000 organized workers.

It is said that it is proposed to hold a conference of governments for the protection of the workers against the accidents. In May, 1905, at Switzerland, The British and Continental governments will be represented, and the United States and Russia also.

At a meeting of the allied printing trades in Sydney, Aust., it was resolved to adopt the scheme for the establishment of homes for indigent printers and the aged for full-time in the trades, as drawn up by the New South Wales' Printers' association.

The strikers in the chemical works of Rhinisch Prussia are still out.

In Russian Poland, 150,000 men were recently dismissed, or reduced to two or four hours per day. The cost of living is increasing in consequence of the war and the continued drought.

The National Amalgamated Union of Shop Assistants, Warehousemen and Clerks, Great Britain, have selected General Secretary Macpherson as their parliamentary candidate. The list of labor candidates selected by the trade unions in Great Britain is already a formidable one.

Appeal has been made to the Supreme Court by Henry D. Lister, attorney for the Stablesman's Union, local 8,700, of San Francisco, against the decision of Judge Hebard that "boycotting" or "picketing" the stores or shops of employers of non-union labor is unlawful.

Complying with the demand of President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, the Central Labor Union of Washington expelled the Steam Fitters' Union, which had defied the Federation in failing to consolidate with the Plumbers' Union. As a result of this action it is expected that eighteen of the largest and strongest unions in the city, comprising the Allied Council of Building Trades, will withdraw from the central body and form a separate organization.

The Immigration authorities at San Antonio, Tex., have been informed of a plot hatched in Guaymas and Tlaxcala, Mexico, to smuggle into the United States 20,000 Chinese coolies and work them up \$9,000,000. The plan was worked out by an American renegade and Mexican and Chinese merchants, and each Chinese smuggled into the states was to pay the conspirators \$500.

The days of the high-priced rail mill workers in the Calumet, Ill., region are over, according to an official of the Illinois Steel Company. Since the shut-down of a week ago arrangements have been made for installation of two improved machines which will throw all the high-priced rollers and straighteners out of employment unless they accept a reduction in wages amounting to sixty-five per cent.

About 12,000 men are on strike in the West Virginia coal fields.

Silk workers are striking in New Jersey.

A levy of 12 cents a member has been voted by the Amalgamated engineers for its defense fund.

President Roosevelt has informed a delegation representing the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Plate Workers that he would not give his aid to bring about a settlement of the strike of the union employees of the Carnegie Steel Company of Youngstown and Girard, O.

Ninety-six new factories and plants were founded in Hungary during the first quarter of 1904.

NEWS IN RAILWAY CIRCLES

Chicagoans Get Charter for the Construction of a New Road.
Springfield, Ill., Dec. 22.—Articles of incorporation were filed yesterday with Secretary of State Rose by the Chicago and Southwestern Traction Company, the principal office of which is to be in Chicago. The company proposes the construction of a road from Morris, Grundy county, to Yorkville, Kendall county.

The stock is \$300,000 and the incorporators, who are to constitute the first board of directors are William T. Kopf, Charles A. Newton, Albert J. Kopp, Frederick W. Hill and Horace W. Nichols, Jr., all of Chicago.

Mining Manager Named.
St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 22.—President Howard Elliott of the Northern Pacific Railway company has appointed Charles R. Claghorn as manager of Northern Pacific mining properties to succeed Harry Horn, who was promoted to general manager last summer.

Superintendent to Be Transferred.
Baltimore, Md., Dec. 22.—Third Vice President Potter of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, announced last night that on Jan. 1 W. C. Loree, general superintendent at Pittsburgh, will be transferred to Wheeling, W. Va., as general superintendent of the Wheeling division of the road. Mr. Loree will be succeeded by Robert Finney, the present general agent at Pittsburgh.

Notice.
Having received the tax roll for Harmony, I am now ready to collect taxes. Will be at A. H. Sheldon & Co. hardware store, Janesville, Wis., Saturdays, beginning Saturday, Dec. 31, 1904, until Saturday, Jan. 28, 1905.

F. M. ROACH,
Treasurer.

Dated Dec. 22, 1904.

Mrs. Austin's Quick Rising buckwheat makes tender, crisp brown cakes. Your grocer can tell you all about it.

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BY VETERINARY PROFESSOR AT THE STATE UNIVERSITY.

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Soil, Foods and Air of Wisconsin Are Particularly Favorable to This Industry.

Wisconsin, as a state, offers an unexcelled breeding and rearing place for the production of active, sound, healthy and hardy horses, declares Dr. A. S. Alexander, professor of veterinary science in the university. The soil being rich in mineral matter produces food, endowed with the constituents necessary for the perfect development of strong bones, tough hoofs, dense tendons and powerful muscles. The drinking water is plentiful, pure, cold and full of wholesome mineral salts. The atmosphere is bright, bracing, pure with the oxygen requisite for lung-developing and blood-building, while abundant sunlight benefits plants and animals alike. Feeding materials are everywhere growing in abundance, and being rich in protein and earthly materials, are especially fitted for perfect frame development. We can at all times supply our horses from never-failing stores of clovers, grass and corn forage. Our pastures are kept green by sufficient moisture and in addition to oats, wheat, barley and rye, legumes luxuriate and there is ample corn grown to augment the ration with heat and fat-producing elements, during our cold but healthy, bracing winters.

In addition to the suitability of our environment for profitable horse production, our farms, says Dr. Alexander, are comparatively close to the greatest horse markets of the country, shipping facilities are ample, local demand is brisk, and other states are taking our surplus colts at profitable prices and asking for many more of the right sort to fatten and finish for the eastern markets.

In short, we possess in Wisconsin every necessary factor for successful horse-breeding, and intelligent, concerted action on the part of our farmers towards the general production of animals of uniform type and quality would soon elevate us, in the judgment of Dr. Alexander, a leading position in the industry.

Sewing Machine Bargains.
real ones, at Singer Stores. Buy here and deal with the manufacturers. The Singer Company is permanent and responsible; its representatives are always at hand to care for Singer Machines. Look for the red S.

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A cup of coffee, a bit of sausage and a bit of cake, and your breakfast is a breakfast fit for a king.

To Colorado and California.
Via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway. Two fast trains daily Chicago to California. Personally conducted tourist car parties over Tuesday and Thursday.

No sleeky woman or weak man will ever regret taking Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. It's brought happiness to thousands. 35 cents, ten or tablets. Smith Drug Co.

FAST MAIL STRIKES HERD OF CATTLE AT CLINTON
Animals Stranded Down the Track and Got in Way of 5:52 Train.

Two carloads of cattle consigned to E. F. Vanderlyn of Clinton and unloaded in the stockyards there yesterday morning, escaped from their confines and started on a stampede down the North-Western tracks. The east-bound passenger due at 5:52 struck the herd, killing three and injuring three others so badly that they had to be dispatched.

Nervous Dyspepsia
A Disease That Robs You of Every Pleasure in Life—Hungry and Can't Eat—Makes You Nervous, Morose, Sullen, Irritable and Dependent.

DR. A. W. CHASE'S NERVE PILLS.
Overwork the stomach, or subject it to the depressing influence of worry, or constant excitement, and it gives out. Ask it to digest anything, everything, at any time, and in half the time required, and, like an overdriven horse, it balks. The reason for this lies in the close nerve relationship between the brain and stomach, and the fact that the irritation of either organ means the distress of the other. Nature intended the stomach should have regular hours—a time to work, a time to rest—and when you break up this habit you upset the whole arrangement. The stomach nerves become exhausted, the glands refuse to act, the food does not digest—flies heavy, ferments, and repents. There is pain, gas forms, bloating occurs, the heart becomes irregular and a nervous, irritable feeling sets in. This is a nervous dyspepsia and Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills its cure.

Mrs. James H. Titus, of No. 107 Clinton St., Warren, Pa., says:

"Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills are just splendid. My stomach bothered me for twelve years—food digesting slowly—heavy after eating. I was fearfully dizzy by spells and very nervous. I tried everything—other medicines, doctors, anything I was told, but the Nerve Pills I got settled all this. They cured me. I feel well in every way today—no weakness or dizziness, and digestion splendid. I have and will continue to recommend them strongly as I believe the medicine to be unequalled in its ability to cure such troubles, as it certainly acted like magic with me." 50 cents a box at dealers, or Dr. A. W. Chase Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Postage and signature of A. W. Chase, M. D., on every package.

For Sale by McCue & Buss, The Druggists. Two stores: 151 W. Milwaukee St.; 14 S. Main St.; Janesville, Wis.

TO STOP WEARING OF BIRD PLUMAGE

New York Man Wants Queer Ordinance Passed to Protect Birds From Milliners.

In New York has been suggested an ingenious way in which to stop heartless women from bedecking themselves with the plumage of innocent birds. According to reports from the metropolis protests are being received by city officials against the "proposed city ordinance" requiring all disorderly women to wear stuffed birds or feathers on their hats. The trouble culminated when a letter reached the city hall from Mrs. Francis W. Graham of Lakeport, president of the Women's Christian Temperance union of the state of New York.

Mrs. Graham's letter said her organization was in receipt of a circular signed by Charles M. Skinner of Brooklyn, that according to the circular the board of aldermen of the city of New York had under consideration the feather wearing measure. The circular, according to Mrs. Graham, also said that a fine would be imposed by the ordinance upon all women coming within its provisions who failed to live up to them.

"While I doubt the truth of these statements," wrote Mrs. Graham, "as president of the Women's Christian Temperance union of this state I write to inquire if what the circular states is correct and if so to protest against the enactment of such an ordinance or of any proposal to recognize, tolerate or sanction the social evil in any way."

No Such Ordinance.
Search of the records of the board of aldermen failed to reveal any ordinance of the sort suggested by Mrs. Graham. The inquiry then turned to Charles M. Skinner of Brooklyn, signer of the circular to which Mrs. Graham referred. Mr. Skinner is prominently connected with the Audubon society, which has for its chief object the preservation of all song birds and birds of plumage, and the discouragement of wearing feathers or stuffed birds by women as millinery decorations.

Circulars Sent Out.
"Yes, I am a signer of the circular in question," said Mr. Skinner. "I have sent it all over the country in my endeavor to have various organizations write to New York aldermen urging the enactment of the ordinance. In question and have like ordinances enacted in other cities of the country."

When Mr. Skinner's attention was called to the fact that the records of the aldermen failed to disclose the presence of any such ordinance, he announced that he knew the entire matter was before the board for "consideration." He also gave out some copies of his circular.

BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR NORA MARSHALL
Given at Home, No. 57 Chestnut Street Last Evening—Presented with Handsome Ring.

Friends of Nora Marshall, who lives at 57 Chestnut street, participated in a celebration of her thirteenth birthday anniversary last evening. In the games which occupied the attention of the visitors the first prize was awarded Nellie Boylen, the second to Nellie Cronin, and the consolation to Dora Helder. Refreshments were served and at the conclusion of the festivities the guests presented their hostess with a handsome ring. Those present were: Margaret Roberts, Marie Nelson, Nellie Schumaker, Marie Roberts, Dora Helder, Nellie Boylen, Nell Hill, Anna Sullivan, Helen Boylen, Nellie Marshall, Birdie Uney, Dolly Donnelly, Etta Birmingham, Mamie Spohn, Rosetta Klein, Katherine Roberts, Agnes Smith, Nell Cronin, Nora Marshall.

RAIN OR SNOW IS THE WEATHER DUE
Present Warm Weather is To Be Followed by Lower Temperature.

The first marked warm spell of the month was experienced yesterday in the interior valleys. The warm weather is due to the eastward movement of an area of low pressure that was first noted on the Pacific coast Tuesday evening. The front of the disturbance has reached the upper lake region, although its center has not yet passed western Minnesota.

There has been little precipitation in any part of the country. Snow has fallen locally in the lake region. Rain is indicated for the Ohio valley and lake region. It will be warmer in the upper Ohio valley Friday and decidedly colder in the Missouri valley.

Lower temperature will prevail Saturday in the middle Mississippi valley, lower Ohio and the lower lake region.

The winds on the upper lakes will be from high northeast to north, and on the lower lakes increasing southerly winds, shifting to brisk northwesterly Saturday.

Wisconsin—Rain in southern, snow in northern portion; colder Friday; Saturday, fair; brisk to high northwesterly winds.

MRS. SARAH CONROY GOES TO ASYLUM
Lima Woman Was Found To Be Mentally Unbalanced on Examination by Physicians.

Dr. Buckmaster and a physician from Lima made an examination of the mental condition of Mrs. Sarah Conroy of that town yesterday and found her to be insane. She was taken to the county asylum by Wallace Cochrane. Mrs. Conroy is 32 years of age. She had been acting queerly for some time past and the examination was made at the request of the family.

DOWER WILL BE NEXT MANAGER

University Graduate Managership Is Now Definitely Settled.

George F. Dower, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin in 1897, will be the graduate manager of the Badger athletic teams, with a salary of \$2,000 a year. Half will be paid by the university regents and half by the student athletic association. This change in financial arrangement is the result of the recent upheaval in Badger athletics, in which the conclusion was reached that the faculty should be all-powerful in the government of the team, that there should in the future be no professionalism or "capitol graft" in the university athletics and that the graduate manager should be a member of the faculty and hold in part as a regular professor. Mr. Dower was a track athlete while in the university, taught school and coached track and football teams in Milwaukee, became a book agent and last year was elected as secretary of the Wisconsin alumni association, which latter associations brought him into close touch with President Van Hise and the alumni, and it is said, led to his promotion to the new faculty athletic position. He is popular and it is believed he is exceedingly capable. One thing expected of him—perhaps more than anything else—is the establishment of more cordial relations between Wisconsin and the other educational institutions which the Badgers meet on athletic fields. He will at once enter upon the making of contracts for next year's games and set out to gather material for the teams. This work has sadly suffered during the last few weeks of uncertainty in the athletic department at Madison.

Half the ill that man is heir to come from indigestion. Burdock Blood-Bitters strengthens and tones the stomach; makes indigestion impossible. Accident come with distressing frequency on the farm. Cuts, bruises, stings, sprains. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil relieves the pain instantly. Never safe without it.

It's the little colds that grow into big colds; the big colds that end in consumption and death. Watch the little colds. Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

"I had a running, itching sore on my leg. Suffered tortures. Don't's Ointment took away the burning and itching instantly, and quickly effected permanent cure." C. W. Lenhart, Bowling Green, O.

Christ Church Announcement.
The Christmas tree services will be held in the Parish Hall at 5:00 p. m. Saturday and all the children of the parish, in addition to the Sunday school scholars, are invited. The early service Sunday (Christmas day) will be held at 7:30 a. m. instead of 8:00.

Children eat, sleep and grow after taking Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea. Brings rosy cheeks, laughing eyes, good health and strength. A tonic for sickly children. 35 cents, ten or tablets. Smith Drug Co.

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Matinee at 3 p. m.

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With Mr. James appearing in his own original character creation, "FIDDLESTICKS."

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In this sale we offer without reserve every Ladies', Misses' and Child's Coat and Ladies' Suit in our stock; every garment new this season. Ladies, have you been thinking you would like a bargain in a nice warm winter Cloak or Suit? Now is your opportunity. Gentlemen, have you thought of presenting your wife or child with a beautiful Cloak or Suit? You can buy one now at half price.

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COUNTY NEWS

ORFORDVILLE.
Orfordville, Dec. 22.—We are glad to report Mrs. E. N. Haugen some better.
Mrs. Katie Dunn and daughter Evelyn went to Chicago on Wednesday to spend Christmas.
Messrs. John Stiff of Albany and Mathias Stiff of Tenn., visited at John Lackner's on Monday.
Mr. Wm. Ross of Janesville was in the village on Tuesday.
About seventy from here attended the barbecue at the sugar beet factory.
Mr. Lowry Huff of Racine who has been visiting his sister Mrs. James Hammell for some time will return home on Saturday. Lawrence, Rebecca and Bell Hammell will accompany him to spend Christmas in Racine.
Mr. Arch Patraquin went to Mineral Point last Friday.
Mr. Fred Walker of Beloit was in the village on Wednesday.
Mr. Ray Gavey who has been working at carpenter work in Watertown came home last Friday to spend Christmas.
Mrs. Caroline Gavey visited friends in Julia last week.
Miss Elsie Taylor who has been attending school at Lawrence University came home last Saturday for a two weeks' vacation.
Mr. Arch Patraquin has moved in the rooms back of Cleveland's barber shop.
A very pleasant surprise was given Rev. and Mrs. Porterfield last Wednesday evening in the form of a pound party. Quite a number of provisions were present.
Mr. Bertha Barker visited a couple of days in Broadhead this week.
Miss Julia Tollefson is assisting at Allen's store.
Mrs. E. Norton of Madison came on Thursday to spend Christmas with her father, Mr. Chet Shafer.
Mr. Herbert C. Schenk and Miss Clara Sater both of Orfordville were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Sater, Wednesday, Dec. 22, at 8 o'clock a. m. The happy couple left on the 10 o'clock train as many supposed they were going to but by rig, and drove to Janesville where they took the train for Madison where they will spend Christmas. Some of the young people were disappointed when they drove to Footville and found that the young couple had driven on through.
Mrs. Carrie Trostlin whose maiden name was Carrie Bergh, was born in Miss, Hollingsdale, Norway, Dec. 31, 1829, and died in Plymouth, Dec. 19, 1901. She came to this country in 1843 and was united in marriage to Knud K. Trostlem in 1848 and settled on a farm in Plymouth which has since that time been her home. Her husband died in March, 1886. Mrs. Trostlem leaves seven children to mourn here: Joss, two boys and five girls, Amos K. Trostlem and O. K. Trostlem of Plymouth; Mrs. S. O.

Drusvold, Lake Mills, Iowa; Mrs. C. K. Strand, of Orfordville, and Mrs. Katie Paulseth and Mary and Christiana Trostlem of Plymouth. The funeral services were held on Friday at the Lutheran Valley church, Plymouth, conducted by Rev. Bergh. Interment in the Lutheran Valley cemetery.
SHOPIERE.
Shopiere, Dec. 23.—Christmas exercises will be held at the Congregational church on Saturday evening, Dec. 24th.
The pupils of our graded school are distributing very attractive invitation cards for Christmas exercises on Friday afternoon at the schoolhouse.
Mr. and Mrs. Graves have returned to their home again.
Mrs. Carrie Hagart returned from Chicago on Tuesday evening.
George Jones is spending a few weeks with his family.
Miss Julia Clark of Whitewater is visiting Mrs. Nellie Spicer.
Miss Carrie Randall of Janesville attended the service Sunday morning with her sister, Mrs. W. W. Swingle.
The Methodist Sabbath school will have their annual Christmas tree on Saturday evening. A concert exercise will be given by the school on Sunday evening.
MILTON.
Milton, Dec. 23.—The officers of the Beet association organized here Monday are M. B. Downing, president; W. S. Wells, vice president; C. A. Davis, secretary and treasurer; G. O. Sayre, H. E. Holmes, G. B. Keith and J. H. Burdick executive committee.
Clarison Heritage, of Big Foot, Pa., was in town this week. He thinks of making this village his home and we hope that he will decide to do so.
Operator Davy sold seventy tickets for Janesville on Beet Sugar Day to Milton growers.
The holiday number of the College Review is a credit to the management and artistically the best ever issued.
An entertainment will be given by the Drake Co. in the local lecture course Jan. 7.
Miss Nettie Thomas left Tuesday for Hammond, La., where she will spend the winter.
Prof. Albert Whitford has gone to Orlando, Florida, where he will remain until spring to escape the rigors of a northern winter.
Town Treasurer Tracy will empty your pocket for tax money next week if you give him an opportunity.
The Firemen's Band concert will be given Saturday evening, Dec. 31, at Good Templar hall.
H. W. Maxson has been "off duty" at Maxson's hardware store this week on account of illness.
Mrs. J. G. Carr has gone to Kingfisher, Okla., to visit her son and family.

Mrs. E. L. Davis of Shawano is here to spend Christmas.
On Christmas day from 1 to 4 o'clock "ring off" for the operators at central are going to have a three-hour holiday.
Oscar Crumb and wife spend their Christmas at Berlin with their parents and sisters.
Bank Examiner inspected the bank of Milton Wednesday.
Mrs. H. H. Blason has been in Milwaukee this week.
E. F. Arrington and wife are at Welton, Iowa, enjoying Christmas with relatives.
Miss Eleanor's name is Brown.
Hear the lecture by President Dalton at College Chapel Tuesday evening, Jan. 3. The subject is "Berlin" illustrated with fine stereopticon views.
Candy Kitchen Brown "has them all beat to a frazzle" on a holiday show window.
ALBANY.
Albany, Dec. 22.—Miss Grace Thurman of Evansville is visiting her sister, Mrs. Frank Barton.
Miss Nettie Russell left on Monday for an extended visit at Topeka, Kan.
Miss Genevieve Hill who is attending school at Dubuque, Iowa, came Monday to spend the holidays with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Warren.
Thomas Gravenor returned Thursday noon from his western trip.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barton are the proud parents of a baby boy, born Monday, Dec. 19.
Miss Gertrude Musgrove of Edgerton is visiting Miss Gertie Warren.
Mr. Will Reese and Miss Elsie Coon both of this place were married at Rockford Wednesday, Dec. 14, 1901.
Mrs. J. W. Farnsworth of Brooklyn is here to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Lewis.
Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Lewis will celebrate their silver wedding Saturday, Dec. 31, 1901.
MILTON JUNCTION.
Milton Junction, Dec. 20.—Christmas will be celebrated as usual with Christmas entertainments at the churches and small gatherings at the homes. Milton Junction is fortunate in having very few poor people within its limits. Work has been plentiful and wages good and everyone seems happy.
School will be closed between Christmas and New Year although the term does not end for a couple of weeks more.
Miss Nettie Coon has been spending some time visiting at Shopiere and Walworth.
George Blesdale accompanied his daughter to her home at Annawa to spend the holidays.
The Christmas tree and entertainment of the S. D. B. church will be held Sunday eve.
It seems as a rule the farmers who have received their returns for sugar beets are very well satisfied, although in some instances there is dissatisfaction with weights or tests. The per centage of sugar seems to vary in adjoining fields, one field testing 14 and over the fence 16 per cent. We

are unable to understand the cause but suppose Prof. Henry or some of them scientific men could tell. E. D. Coon's field brought \$502.50 a ton, bringing some over \$60 an acre.
Mrs. Geo. W. Coon received a present of a fine registered Jersey calf from Mr. Charles Herrington of Walworth the past week.
Mr. Herrington thus acknowledged the assistance given him and his family by Mrs. Coon while she was visiting her sister-in-law at his home this fall.
Dr. Kelley remains seriously sick.
Rev. and Mrs. O. S. Mills attended church here last Sabbath.
Word received from our people in Florida is that the ladies are amusing themselves gathering oysters on the shore by their home, while the gentlemen are at work pulling in the windows and doors to their boat's new residence where the ten are as one family.
Frank Fox who went to Ladysmith recently has returned.
The pupils of Miss Kidder's room held a party at the P. of H. hall Wednesday night. Each pupil could invite one friend so a jolly company and a happy time was the result.
Louie Tietner of Blanchardsville, Wis., visited acquaintances here last week.
Sol. Carr, Ezra Goodrich, Dr. Maxson, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Coon, Mr. and Mrs. Fay Coon, Henry William, Tom Dickie, Able Burdick and others from this town attended the sugar beet farmers' convention at Janesville Wednesday.
FOOTVILLE.
Footville, Dec. 22.—Mr. Kames got badly shaken up by getting kicked by his horse on Friday night but soon recovered.
Thos. Ogden was offered \$250 for his driving horse last week but refused.
Henry Pepper is at Leyden this week clerking.
Our stores here have all laid in a stock of Christmas goods.
All of the teachers are home enjoying their vacation.
The tobacco men are wishing for a damp spell.
These are sunny days for lamb feeders with the market steadily going skyward.
The roads now are neither good wheeling or sleighing, but the weather is delightful.
Lester Strang, who had to quit the university on account of ill health, is getting much better.
All should attend the Union service held each Sunday evening.
The Fox land deal has fallen through and it is the plan of Mr. and Mrs. Fox to run the restaurant here indefinitely.
MAGNOLIA.
Magnolia, Dec. 22.—There will be Christmas exercises in the Advent church Saturday evening.
Miss Bessie Townsend is spending her Christmas vacation at home.
Mr. Herman Woodstocks is home again.
Mr. John Barringer and son Lou attended a sale in Edgerton Wednesday.
A number from here attended the

banquet at the sugar beet factory in Janesville Wednesday.
Mr. Fred Woodstock's horse ran away Sunday evening breaking his new Portland cutter.
Miss Zita Acheson of Albany is visiting at the home of her grandfather, Mr. David Acheson.
School closed in Dist. No. 3 for a two weeks' vacation.
Miss Anna Meely and Miss Minnie Edwards attended the teachers' institute at Broadhead Saturday.
Mr. Pat Ryan has sold his driving horse to Mr. Webb Owen of Footville.
EVANSVILLE.
Evansville, Dec. 21.—Mrs. Silverthorn and daughter Jennie of Footville spent Wednesday in this city.
Miss Ella Lamb who has been caring for Mrs. Sawtelle several weeks, returned to her home in Brooklyn Thursday.
Mr. E. D. Barnard is entertaining a niece from Belvidere and a niece and nephew from South Dakota.
Mrs. Chas. Morgan spent Wednesday with her daughter, Mrs. Balnes in Janesville.
Glady's Greatsinger is visiting relatives in Beloit.
Several young people from Brooklyn were in our city Tuesday evening.
The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Garlick of Beloit who died Tuesday morning was laid to rest in the cemetery in this city on Wednesday.
Rev. H. Sewell, who has been very ill for some time past is a little better.
Claude Keegan, who is attending school at Appleton, is at home to spend the holiday vacation.
Miss Thorne, music instructor at the seminary, will go to her home in Sioux Falls, S. D., Friday, to spend Christmas.
All of the churches are planning for Christmas trees and exercises to be given on Saturday evening.
HE GOT HIS CIGAR.
Sherman Black Went Ten Miles for It. It is Happy Now.
Sherman Blake's friends were surprised to see him on the street yesterday, as when he left for his camp a week ago, he said that Janesville would know him no more for a month.
His unexpected appearance is explained by the fact that he ran out of Wadsworth Bros.' Chicos, and had to come to Smith Drug Co.'s to get another box.
As he expressed it, "camping with a Chico to smoke like lemonade without a lemon, and even though I had to come ten miles to get my cigar, I am happy now." While he said this, he looked the personification of contentment, letting a long whiff of fragrant Havana smoke float upwards.
Smith Drug Co. have just received another shipment of Wadsworth Bros.' Chicos, and want all who like a good cigar, better than most ten cent cigars, to try a Chico, and see how well pleased they will be for half the money, as it retails for a straight five cents.

Miss Maud Knippenberg of Janesville, spent part of the week with friends in this city.
Mr. and Mrs. A. D. P. Chapin have been called to Jefferson by the serious illness of Mrs. Chapin's mother. Word has been received in this city that a daughter arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Dollor, of Milwaukee, Dec. 15. Mrs. Dollor was formerly Lola Blood of this city.
Dr. J. M. Evans was called to Jefferson in consultation, Wednesday.
About forty relatives will partake of Christmas dinner at the home of Oliver Reese, Saturday.
Mrs. A. C. Gray is quite ill with tonsillitis.
HOLIDAY GOODS
The time is short to complete Holiday shopping. We would advise early buying which will give much larger assortment to choose from.
Those in doubt of what to buy may find something in the following list which would be appropriate:
Dressed Dolls, at 25c to \$1.25.
Undressed Dolls, at 1c to \$1.25.
Doll Heads, at 5c to 50c.
Work Boxes, at 35c to 75c.
Collar & Cuff Boxes, 90c to \$2.
H'd'k'f Boxes, at 35c to \$1.25.
Gloves Boxes, at 25c to 40c.
Comb & Brush Sets, at \$1 to \$1.50.
Shaving Sets, at 75c to \$1.40.
Toy Dishes, at 10c to \$1.
Toy Animals, at 10c & 25c.
Sleds, at 50 & \$1.
Vest Bags, at 25 & 50c.
100-pc. Dinner Sets, \$7.50 to \$13.
6 & 12-pc. Toilet Sets, \$2.25 to \$5.50.
Fancy Lamps, at \$1.25 to \$3.
Sugar & Water Sets, at 75c to \$2.
Bissell's "Cyclo" Bearing Carpet Sweepers, \$2.50.
Ladies' Dainty Trimmed White Handkerchiefs, at 5c to 25c.
Gentlemen's Neckwear, four-in-hands, shield tecks, band tecks, at 25c.
Fancy Mufflers, at 25c to 50c.
Ladies' Fascinators, 25c to 75c.
Gentlemen's Dress Gloves, at 50c to \$1.50.
Fancy Suspenders, at 25c to 50c.
Our line of German China and Japanese Ware is very complete.

Business Directory

Flour and Feed
DOTY
The place to buy and sell grain and corn. The best place in Janesville to have your grain ground. Saw Mill. Largest capacity.

We Sell
California Perfumes
We carry a full line of perfumes and toilet articles made by the most famous perfumers in the world. Come in and see the handsome packages and try the perfumes. Refined, delicate odors—true to the flowers.

Smith's Pharmacy
Kodaks and Kodak Supplies
2 Registered Pharmacists.

State of Wisconsin—In Circuit Court for Rock County.
George N. Goldsmith, Plaintiff, vs. John P. Goldsmith, and Lucy Goldsmith, his wife, Henry C. Goldsmith and Anna Goldsmith, his wife, William A. Goldsmith, and R. Lida Goldsmith, his wife, Gabriel C. Goldsmith, and Emma C. Goldsmith, his wife, Sarah Worthing, formerly Sarah Goldsmith and Harley Worthing, her husband, Jane Emmons, formerly Jane Goldsmith, and George R. Emmons, her husband, Betsy Goldsmith and Margaret A. Smith, Defendants.
Take Notice:—That by virtue of an order made and entered by the Circuit Court for Rock County, in the above entitled matter, directing the undersigned to sell the East one half (1/2), of the South-East one quarter (1/4), of Section Seventeen (17), of Town Three (3) North, of Range Eleven (11), East, being the Town of Center, County of Rock and State of Wisconsin, to the highest and best bidder therefor.
Dated this 20th day of November, A. D. 1901.
GEORGE M. APPLEBY,
Sheriff of Rock County, Wisconsin.
John L. Fisher, Plaintiff's Attorney.

MRS. E. HALL

No. 55 West Milwaukee St.
Xmas Kodaks
A most suitable present, \$1 and \$2 for Brownie and up to \$75.
SMITH'S PHARMACY

Woman's World



THE SLEEVED CAPE COAT

Some of the novelties in coats are so extremely full at the hem while fitting snugly over the shoulders that they suggest capes rather than coats in their outlines. On a garment of seal brown cloth clever touches of color embroidery make their appearance. There is a round and shallow brocade and a little velvet, and to this the coat and full sleeves are applied in deep pleats, a little embroidered motif tucked into each pleat. The skirt of the coat is circular, just like that of a cape, and the sleeves are in the sleeve. Strapped straps make a trimming effect on the hem, and the bows, loops without ends.



IN THE SEMBLANCE OF A SUIT

One has to look more than once to decide whether this very smart wrap is not really a coat and skirt suit. True, it is fashioned in two parts, a jacket and a skirt portion, and the two are cleverly united by a shaped belt at the waistline, the belt so cut that it slopes to the hips and makes the waistline seem so much longer. The coat follows the fashioning blouse lines that simply refuse to pass out from among current fashions, but the blouse portion is not nearly so bouffant as it used to be. There is a well-cut curve to the underarm portion which defines the figure lines, and the prevailing full for vests and vest effects is followed in an insertion of creamy white cloth that tones in well with the brown of the coat. There is a fancy velvet collar in brown piped with white, and many pleats in the back, and double ones of her side of the front, the sides being forced to fit, and the sleeve follows the extreme of fullness, shirred with many rows of stitching into the arm size, and finished with an upstanding cuff of velvet that follows the fancy collar and design.

Instinct Conquered Training.

A Florida man tried to teach a monkey to wait on the table and succeeded in making a most efficient servant out of Jocko with but two exceptions—he couldn't resist the temptation to stop and tease the cat, and he couldn't keep his fingers out of the sugar bowl.

Ants Plant Gardens.

Brazilian ants make little gardens in the tree tops and sow them with pineapple and other seeds. The gardens are found of all sizes, from a single sprouting seed surrounded by a little earth to a densely overgrown ball as large as a man's head.

Buy it in Janesville.

Children and Books.

Children should be taught to handle books with reverence. Let each child have a shelf in the library for his own particular books, making him a part owner in the home library, which will have its sure effect in teaching him to value books and to look upon the library as a family institution. Whether the books be school books, library books or home books, old or new, insist in a tactful way upon their receiving the best of care.

Encourage Oxen by Song.

In France the oxen that work in the fields are regularly sung to as an encouragement to exertion, and no peasant has the slightest doubt that the animals listen to him with pleasure.

NEW YEAR'S EVE

Central Hall Will Be the Scene of a Pleasant Gathering Next Saturday-Night

On New Year's eve, Saturday, December 31, the Shinnelup Golf club will give a large dancing party at Central Hall. It is thought that this reunion during the winter will do much towards keeping club spirit alive so that there shall be no apathy towards the great Scottish game on the part of the "porch players" when the season opens up again in the spring. Invitations will be issued shortly.

SCHOOLBOY CUTS HIS TEACHER

Bloodthirsty Lad Causes Sensation in New York School.

New York, Dec. 23.—Just as the class was being dismissed 12-year-old Herbert Carson leaped upon a teacher, Michael B. Sharlett, and stabbed him in the neck with a penknife in public school No. 51, on West Forty-fourth street. The assault was witnessed by other pupils and as the news was narrowly averted by cool-headed teachers. The boy's knife made a wound three-fourths of an inch deep. Had the cut been half an inch either way it might have proved fatal. Carson was held by two male teachers until a policeman arrived. Young Carson told the policeman that the teacher deserved the injury, reasoning the teacher of having struck him in the jaw.

PUNISHMENT FOR STUDENTS

Hazing of Young Gould Stirs Up Big University Rumpus.

New York, Dec. 23.—The attempted hazing of Kingston Gould is stirring up one of the liveliest rumpuses in the history of Columbia university. Six sophomores charged with participating in the rush which young Gould met with a shift from his revolver were summoned before the university authorities. Rumor had it, that later notices of suspension were mailed to each of the offenders under special delivery stamps. If this be true, the grave probability is that the sophomore class as a whole will stand by its disciplined members and withdraw from the university.

Blow for Railroad Pools.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 23.—According to the state supreme court, railroads in Nebraska cannot discriminate in freight rates between long and short hauls. Legislation in such cases is entirely within the province of the state.

Jewish Families for Texas.

Houston, Texas, Dec. 23.—One thousand Jewish families from the Ghetto, New York, will be distributed in Texas. Many of the larger cities have contracted to take a certain number per week and care for them.

Buy Three New York Hotels.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 23.—The Rush estate of this city has purchased for \$4,150,000 the Breton Hall, the Itasca and the Aberdeen, all thirteen-story hotels of New York.

Business Houses Burn.

Des Moines, Iowa, Dec. 23.—Eight business houses at Mitchellville, a suburb, burned, entailing a loss of \$30,000.

Says Women Officials Aims.

The London common council has refused to appoint an additional woman sanitary inspector. Sir R. H. Rogers, a member, was supported in his assertion that it was only a sentimental idea that women made better inspectors than men. Women administered the law very unevenly and they were fractions and full of caprices, and they gave an unlimited amount of trouble and annoyance.

Golden Rules for Longevity.

Apart from all individual idiosyncrasies spare-eating can be discerned as the golden rule of longevity. "Eat what you like and what you have been accustomed to," says a noted physician, "but do so sparingly. Faddism is bad. Regularity is a sound principle; but it should be regularity from year to year and not merely from day to day."

Slight Misunderstanding.

A young farmer proposed to contribute \$2 toward buying new hymn books for his church as soon as he had sold one of his calves. A couple of Sundays later he walked into church as the choir was singing "The Half Has Never Yet Been Told." He thought the choir was saying, "The calf has never yet been sold," and started to fight.—Parsons (Kas.) Palladium.

E. D. McGowan, Atty.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS—State of Wisconsin, County Court for Rock County.—In Probate.

Notice is hereby given that at a special term of the county court, to be held in and for said county, at the court house, in the city of Janesville, on the first Wednesday, to-wit: July 2, 1903, being July 25, 1903, at nine o'clock a. m., the following matters will be heard, considered and adjudged: All claims against William Richards, late of the city of Janesville, in said county, deceased, to said court, at the court house, in the city of Janesville, on and before the 25th day of June A. D. 1903, or he barred.

J. W. BALE, E. D. McGowan, Atty for Executor.

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Xmas Perfumes

Toilet Waters, Fancy Boxes, From and up \$6.00

Smith Pharmacy

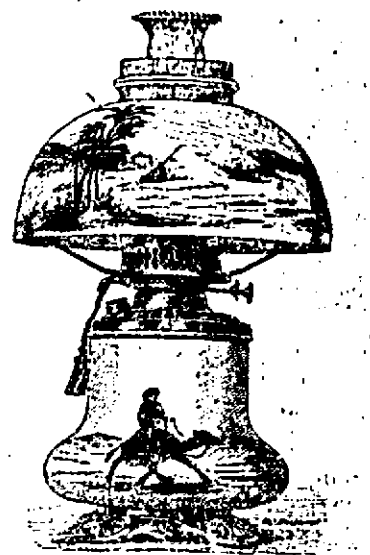
FURIOUS ATTACK MADE ON CHINA

Terrible Onslaught Devastates Entire Reserve Division--Mammoth Army Led by General Santa Claus.

SUCH glaring headlines might describe our China sale now at its highest point. All day long yesterday the show rooms were crowded with eager purchasers. Although every wagon in our service has been overworked for the past week, our immense stock is not depleted of good things.

All broken lines have been sorted, and handsome pieces of Haviland and Bavarian China have been marked at half their former selling price. These are conveniently arranged, grouped as to cost, some rare bargains remaining at \$1, 75c, 50, 25 and 10c

The largest crockery stock in this section is at your disposal. Elegant pieces directly imported & & &



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| Salad Dishes, 15c to \$4.50. | Cut Glass Salt and Pepper, 25c. |
| Lamps, 10c to \$12. | Water Glasses, 15c dozen. |
| Cups and Saucers, 10c to \$2.75. | Ash Trays. |
| Cake Plates, 15c to \$3.75. | Hair Receivers. |
| Chop Plates, 50c to \$6. | Pin Trays. |
| Bread and Butter Plates, \$1 to \$9 per dozen. | Nut Bowls. |
| Fancy Plates, 10c to \$3. | Brass and Iron Candle Sticks. |
| Game Sets, \$12, \$15 and \$25. | Tea Sets. |
| Dinner Sets, 100 pieces, \$6.50 to \$65. | Sugar and Creamers. |
| Fruit Dishes, 10c to \$4. | In fact, everything to be found in our complete stock of Crockery, China and Glassware. |

FURNITURE

While seekers of Holiday gifts are showing their appreciation of our efforts to provide a fitting display of all that's worthy in the cabinet maker's craft. We're holding the mirror up to the past performance in practice as well as theory. You will find on our various floors many an article that would serve the two fold purpose of a Holiday gift and an article of usefulness.

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| Center Tables, \$1 to \$20. | Hall Racks. |
| Library Tables, \$5 to \$30. | Dressers. |
| Rockers, \$1 to \$50. | Plate Racks. |
| Sideboards, \$12 to \$65. | Stein Racks. |
| Iron Beds, \$3 to \$30. | Morris Chairs. |
| Buffets, 20 to \$50. | Davenport. |
| Children's Rockers, 50c to \$6. | Parlor Cabinets. |
| Couches, \$7 to \$45. | Shaving Stands. |
| Parlor Divans, \$6 to \$35. | Reception Chairs. |
| Ladies' Desks, \$5 to \$25. | Library Rockers. |
| Children's Desks, \$1 to \$6. | |

Visit Our Toy and Doll Dept. on Second Floor.

PUTNAM'S

Watches Gold and Gold Filled

Set Rings With Little Diamonds \$6.00 to \$14.00. Others up to \$48.00. Solid Gold Cuff Links \$3.50 to \$8.00.

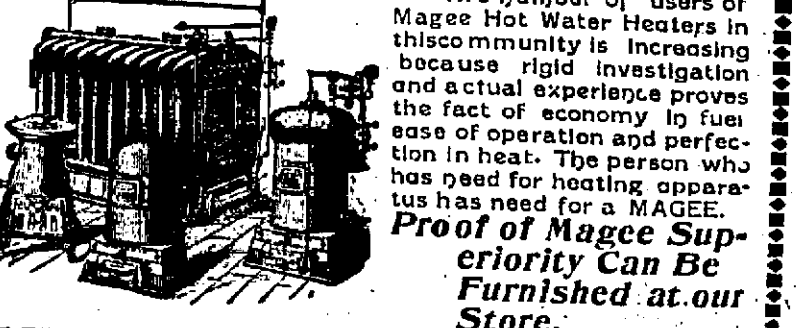
I still have a nice assortment of gold Fobs to select from. A new line of brooches just in and my prices will please you. Ladies' hand-bags, chains, chatelaine pins, etc.; Parker fountain pens, plain, pearl, silver and gold, \$1.50 to \$20, no extra charge for engraving. NOW, this is the point, my store is in the Grand Hotel block and we are at your service. Call today.

F. E. WILLIAMS, Jeweler and Optician.

Mark Twain Sells Land. Tarrytown, N. Y., Dec. 23.—Samuel L. Clemens (Mark Twain) and E. B. Cobb have sold to Charles A. Gardiner an estate of forty acres for \$120,000. The grounds are laid out as a park.

Magee Hot Water Heat

Is the Pleasant Economical Heat.



ESTIMATES FURNISHED HEERFULLY.

McVIGAR BROS., Plumbers

SOUTH MAIN STREET

THE
GRAFTERSBy
FRANCIS LYNDE

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Chapter I.—Story opened at Gaston. Re-
sumption of political campaign with Bucks
as candidate for governor. Mayor
of Gaston during boom days when town
was terminus of Trans-Western railway.
David Kent, local attorney for railroad,
entertaining Loring, old college chum
between trains. Loring going to capital
to become general manager of road.

Chapter II.—Kent and Loring attend
political meeting. Kent gives his opinion
of Bucks. Loring leaves for capital, and
as train pulls out reminds Kent of an old
local man of Kent's in the east.
Chapter III.—Mrs. Brentwood and
daughter, Elmer and Penelope, of Bos-
ton, start on journey to west. Choose
Trans-Western route as they own stock
in the line. Millionaire Brooks Ormsby,
in love with Elmer, comes with them.
Chapter IV.—Loring makes love to Elmer
on train. She is in love with Kent.
Penelope telegraphs Kent that party is
to pass through Gaston. He gets on train
there to go to the capital and meets
them.

Chapter V.—Loring appointed general
manager of Trans-Western. Kent advises
Ormsby to get Mrs. Brentwood to sell
her stock in road. Kent and Ormsby
become friends and rivals.

Chapter VI.—Bucks and his crowd in
charge of state government. House bill
Twenty-nine, carrying danger to foreign
corporations, including Trans-Western,
passed by legislature. Miss Portia Van
Horn introduced. Kent and Ormsby attempt
to get Mrs. Brentwood to sell her Trans-
Western stock, but without success. El-
mer, through Loring's touch, gets money
getting to a higher kind of success.

Chapter VII.—Bucks lays plans for
weakening of Trans-Western for benefit of
competing line by throwing road into
the hands of a receiver. Judge MacFarlane,
of Gaston, to do the job. Buck visits
Gaston and arranges plan.

Chapter VIII.—State's attorney at Gaston
files petition for receiver for Trans-West-
ern. Preliminary hearing to be held next
day.

Chapter IX.—Kent unsuccessful in reach-
ing Gaston with evidence to prevent ap-
pointment of receiver for road. Major
Jim Gullford named as receiver by Judge
MacFarlane. Two came and went, and
still there was no hopeful word from
Lesterville. Kent had speech with
Oleson, watch in hand. Would the en-
gineer take the risk of a rear-end col-
lision on a general manager's order?
Oleson would obey orders if the heav-
ens fell; and Kent flew to the wire
again. Hunnicott, at Gaston, was be-
sought to gain time in the hearing by
any and all means; and Loring was
asked to authorize the risk of a rear-
end smash-up. He did it promptly.
The light engine was to go on until it
should "pick up" the delayed train be-
tween stations.

The Junberg man gave Oleson his
release and the order to proceed with
due care while the sounder was still
clicking a further communication from
headquarters. Loring was providing
for the last contingency by sending
Kent the authority to requisition No.
17's engine for the completion of the
run in case the track should be
blocked, with the freight engine free
beyond the obstruction.

Having his shackles "stricken off," the
Norwegian proceeded "with due care,"
which is to say that he sent the eight-
wheeler dashing down the line toward
Lesterville at the rate of a mile a minute.
The mystery of the delay was
solved at a point half-way between
the two stations. A broken flange had
derailed three cars of the freight and
the block was impassable.

Armed with the general manager's
mandatory wire, Kent ran forward to
the engine of the freight train and
was shortly on his way again. But in
the 20-mile run to Gaston more time
was lost by the lumbering freight lo-
comotive, and it was 20 minutes past
three o'clock when the county seat
came in sight and Kent began to oscil-
late between two sharp-pointed horns
of a cruel dilemma.

By dropping off at the street crossing
nearest the courthouse, he might still
be in time to get a hearing with such
documentary backing as he had been
able to secure at the capital. By going
on to the station he could pick up the
Boston wire which, while it was not
strictly evidence, might create a strong
presumption in his favor; but in this
case he would probably be too late to
use it. So he counted the rail-lengths,
watch in hand, with a curse to the
count for his witness in failing to
have Loring repeat the Boston mes-
sage to him during the long wait at
Junberg; and when the time for the
decision arrived he signaled the en-
gineer to slow down, jumped from the
step at the nearest crossing and hasten-
ed up the street toward the court-
house.

In the mean time, to go back a little,
during this day of hurrying to and fro
Blasphemy Hunnicott had been having
the exciting experiences of a decade
crowded into a corresponding num-
ber of hours. Early in the morning
he had begun besieging the headquar-
ters wire office for news and instruc-
tions, and, owing to Kent's good in-
tentions to be on the ground in per-
son, had got little enough of either.

At length to his unspeakable re-
lief, he had news of the coming spe-
cial; and with the conviction that help
was at hand he waited at the station
with what coolness there was in him
to meet his chief. But as the time
for the hearing drew near he grew
nervous again; and all the keen pains
of utter helplessness returned with re-
newed acuteness when the operator,
who had overheard the Junberg-Les-
terville wire talk, told him that the
special was hung up at the former sta-
tion.

"O my good Lord!" he groaned.
"I'm in for it with empty hands!"
None the less, he ran to the baggage-
room end of the building and, capturing
an express wagon, had himself trus-
selled out to the courthouse.

The judge was at his desk when
Hunnicott entered, and Hawk was on
hand, calmly reading the morning pa-
per. The hands of the clock on the
wall opposite the judge's desk pointed
to five minutes of the hour, and for
five minutes Hunnicott sat listening,
hoping against hope that he should
hear the rush and roar of the incom-
ing special.

Promptly on the stroke of three the
judge tapped upon his desk with his
pen.

"Now, gentlemen, proceed with your
case; and I must ask you to be as
brief as possible. I have an appoint-
ment at four which cannot be post-
poned," he said, quietly; and Hawk
threw down his paper and began at
once.

Hunnicott heard his opponent's ar-
gument mechanically, having his ear
attuned for whistle signals and wheel
drummings. Hawk spoke rapidly and
straight to his point, as befitting a man
speaking to the facts and with no jury
present to be awayed by oratorical ef-
fort. When he came to the summariz-
ing of the allegations in the amended
petition, he did it wholly without
heat, piling up the accusations one
upon another with the careful method
of a bricklayer building a wall. The
wall-building simile thrust itself upon
Hunnicott with irresistible force as he
listened. If the special engine should
not dash up in time to batter down
the wall—

Hawk closed as dispassionately as
he had begun, and the judge bowed
gravely in Hunnicott's direction. The
local attorney got upon his feet, and
as he began to speak a telegram was
handed in. It was Kent's wire from
Junberg, beseeching him to gain time
at all hazards, and he settled himself
to the task. For 20 dragging minutes
he rang the changes on the various
steps in the suits, knowing well that
the fatal moment was approaching
when—Kent still falling him—he would
be compelled to submit his case with-
out a scrap of an affidavit to support it.

The moment came, and still there
was no encouraging whistle shriek
from the dun plain beyond the open
windows. Hawk was visibly grow-
ing, and Judge MacFarlane was grus-
tlingly impatient. Hunnicott began
again, and the judge reproved him
mildly.

"Much of what you are saying is en-
tirely irrelevant, Mr. Hunnicott. This
hearing is on the plaintiff's amended
petition."

No one knew better than the local
attorney that he was wholly at the
court's mercy; that he had been so
from the moment the judge began to
consider his purely formal defense, en-
tirely unsupported by affidavits or evi-
dence of any kind. None the less, he
strung his denials out by every affirma-
tion he could devise, and, having
fired his last shot, sat down in desper-
ing breathlessness to hear the judge's
summing-up and decision.

Judge MacFarlane was mercifully
brief. On the part of the plaintiff
there was an amended petition fully
fortified by uncontroverted affidavits.
On the part of the defendant com-
pany there was nothing but a formal
denial of the allegations. The duty of
the court in the premises was clear.
The prayer of the plaintiff was granted,
the temporary relief asked for was
given and the order of the court would
issue accordingly.

The judge was rising when the still,
hot air of the room began to vibrate
with the tremulous thunder of the
sound for which Hunnicott had been
so long straining his ears. He was the
first of the three to hear it, and he
hurried out ahead of the others. At
the foot of the stair he ran blindly
against Kent, travel-worn and hag-
gard.

"You're too late!" he blurted out.
"We're done up. Hawk's petition has
been granted and the road is in the
hands of a receiver."

Kent dashed his hat upon the stair-
rail.

"Who is the man?" he demanded.

"Major Jim Gullford," said Hunnicott.
Then, as footfalls coming stair-
ward were heard in the upper corridor,
he looked arms with Kent, faced him
about and thrust him out over the
door-stone. "Let's get out of this.
You look as if you might kill some-
body."

CHAPTER XI.
THE LAST DITCH.

It was a mark of the later and larg-
er development of David Kent that he
was able to keep his head in the mo-
ment of catastrophes. In boyhood
his hair had been a brick-dust red,
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first impulse was to face about and
make a personal matter of the legal
robbery with Judge MacFarlane.

Happily for all concerned, Hunnicott's
better counsels prevailed, and
when the anger lit passed Kent found
himself growing cool and determined.
Once free of the courthouse, Kent
began a rapid-fire of questions.

"Where is Judge MacFarlane stop-
ping?"

"At the Mid-Continent."

"Have you any idea when he in-
tends leaving town?"

"No; but he will probably take the
first train. He never stays here an
hour longer than he has to after ad-
judgment."

"That would be the Flyer east at six
o'clock. Is he going east?"

"Come to think of it, I believe he is.
Somebody said he was going to Hot
Springs. He's in miserable health."

Kent saw more possibilities, and
worse, and quickened his pace a little.

"What do we do?" asked Hunnicott,
willing to take a lesson in practice
as he ran.

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Eugene Hildebrand, who ranks at the top of the list of winning American jockeys during the eastern season just closed, is a Californian.

During the eastern racing season, which closed at Benning, Hildebrand brought home 165 winners and has the most remarkable record of all jockeys on the American turf.

Hildebrand was a newsboy in California originally and is but nineteen years old. He was taken to the California tracks at the beginning of the season of 1903 from Seattle by Vic Gilbert, who looked after his mounts. He started at Oakland. In a short time he showed that he was a clever horseman, and horse owners were soon running over one another to get the boy to ride their horses.

His Early Races.

During his stay at the Oakland and Ingleside tracks, beginning on Jan. 1 of this year, he rode fifty-five winners, thirty-seven seconds and thirty-two thirds and was only fifty-seven times outside of the money. He then went to the Los Angeles tracks, where he rode forty-two winners, twenty-seven seconds, fifteen thirds and was twenty-seven times out of the money.

It was in the early part of last January that Joe Yeager, the well known horseman, who had a large stable of horses, was in search of a rider, and his eye fell on Hildebrand, who was then the leading rider on the Pacific coast. After a great deal of talk he finally succeeded in getting the boy's



EUGENE HILDEBRAND.

contract from Vic Gilbert for \$5,000. The youngster continued his good riding, and shortly before the opening of the racing season at the Aqueduct (New York) track Yeager took Hildebrand east, and his next appearance was on that course.

Started Slowly.

During the Aqueduct meeting he won but a few races. When the meeting opened at Morris Park, New York, Hildebrand began to show his skill, and when Westchester was finished he was at the top of the list. He led the jockeys at the spring meetings at Gravesend and Sheepshead Bay, New York.

Burns was the leading rider at Jamaica, New York, and Hildebrand came to the front again and led at Brighton Beach, New York, and Saratoga, N. Y. He was well up in the list of winning riders for the fall meetings at Gravesend, Sheepshead Bay, Brighton Beach and Morris Park and was on top at Jamaica. In thirteen race meetings on the metropolitan circuit he led the winning jockeys in six, which is a remarkable record for a young rider.

"Play Hildebrand."

Almost from his first appearance on the eastern tracks he jumped into popular favor, and in a short time when one race goer would ask another, "Who'll win?" the answer would be, "Play Hildebrand."

The lad brought home winner after winner, and one remarkable feature about his riding was that a number of horses which had shown poor races when handled by other riders would improve under his clever pilotage and would be fighting it out at the end.

Hildebrand and Artful.

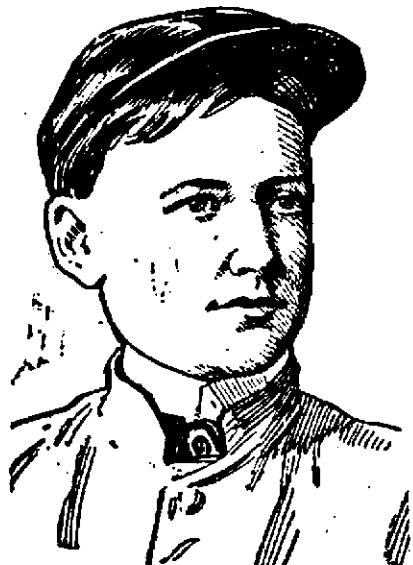
Owners were not long in recognizing Hildebrand's riding ability, and numerous offers were made for his services, but his employer, Joe Yeager, declined to release him. Finally an arrangement was made by which second call on the boy was sold to H. B. Duran, and he rode the horses from that stable in many of the big events during the season, including Artful in the Futurity at Sheepshead Bay and in her

race at Morris Park, when she broke the world's record for six furlongs.

A Repeater.

While in the height of his success it was no infrequent thing for him to ride two and three winners a day, and on several occasions this year he rode four winners. At the Ingleside track on Feb. 8 he rode four winners and one second in five mounts, and at the Sheepshead Bay track on June 18 he rode four winners in six mounts.

Quick and alert at the post, he seldom got the worst of the start, and, once away, his hustling ability was a revelation. He is very strong for a



ARTHUR REDFERN.

boy of his years and many times out-finished his heavy and more experienced rivals.

Arthur Redfern finished second to Hildebrand, with ninety firsts, eighty-nine seconds and sixty-nine thirds. Shaw, Burns and Martin come next.

What Yeager Says.

Joe Yeager in speaking about the boy the other day said: "I consider Hildebrand the best rider I ever saw, not because I have got him, but his work speaks for itself. He is cool at all times, alert at the post, a good judge of pace, can sit still and can ride a splendid finish. He is a quiet lad, has no bad habits and saves his money."

Judge Schneider.

Starting Judge George A. Schneider of Cleveland was a very busy man during the past season. He officiated at 21 meetings, giving the word in 204 races, in which 702 heats were trotted and paced by a total of 1,234 starters.

Jay Bird.

Another sire has joined the "century list"—that grand old roan patriarch Jay Bird, the twenty-six-year-old son of George Wilkes, 2:22, and Lady Frank, by Mambrino Star, 2:28½. To the close of 1903 the last year book credited him with ninety-six standard performers, eighty-seven trotters and nine pacers. The 2:30 list for 1904 showed five new ones for him, and his owner, W. A. Bacon of Paris, Ky., states that there is one more, making his grand total 102.

CORRIGAN AT WAR.

The "Master of Hawthorne" Fighting Western Jockey Club.

At the present time a turf war threatens to engage the racing interests of the west. Ed Corrigan, the master of Hawthorne and one of the most powerful factors in horse racing in the west, is burning with wrath over the first open slap that the stewards of the Western Jockey club have dared to take at him.

Close friends to Corrigan declare that the Hawthorne magnate is on the verge of organizing a second racing body in the west to commence a war of extermination against the Western Jockey club that for years has held undisputed sway.

The cause of Corrigan's anger was the refusal of the Western Jockey club



ED CORRIGAN.

to allow dates to the new race track at New Orleans. In the building of which the master of Hawthorne was the leading spirit. It is reasoned that Corrigan by banding together the Hawthorne track at Chicago, the Elm Ridge track at Kansas City, the Union Jockey club track at St. Louis and the new race course at New Orleans could form a turf body formidable enough to give the Western Jockey club a fight at every point.

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